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## Madison Chemical expansion requires water upgrades

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

Madison Chemical wants to expand its Clifty Drive plant site but water line improvements are needed to make that possible and company executives were at Thursday's Jefferson County Commissioners seeking assistance with that infrastructure.

Dick Goodman, chairman of the board, said the company, located at 3141 Clifty Drive, has

plans to add 15,000 square feet to the current 65,000-square-foot facility.

"We anticipate this project is going to cost us about \$2.5 million, and in less than five years we're going to need more office space, and we anticipate that being about a \$3 million investment, but we can't do any of this with the current water supply we have for fire suppression," said Goodman.

"The issue we have at Madison Chemical is we are up against a hard stop due to lack of water infrastructure to support our health, fire and safety needs," he said.

Goodman anticipates the water improvement project, which will involve running a line under the road at State Road 62/Clifty Drive, will cost about \$100,000. Madison Chemical is applying for an Indus-

trial Development Fund Grant through the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC). But in the event that grant isn't awarded, Goodman asked for the Commissioners help if a backup plan is needed.

"We didn't know if perhaps there might be American Rescue Plan funds available for infrastructure to get the water line across the road," he said.

No commitment to the project

was given by the Commissioners, but they did ask when the company might have an answer on the IEDC grant.

Joe Todd, Madison Chemical's vice president of operations, said he expects a "fairly quick" response "but it's a development grant for infrastructure that they don't commonly do."

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## Hanover Backpack Giveaway



Bob Demaree

Adalee Alexander of Madison slides down the bounce house at the Backpack Giveaway on Saturday at the Hanover Community Park, while her father, Bobby Alexander, waits to catch at the bottom.



Bob Demaree

Mary Neely (left) of the Hanover Senior Citizens helps Novalyn Smith pick out and be fitted for a new backpack during the Backpack Giveaway on Saturday at the Hanover Community Park. The kids were outfitted with backpacks and other school supplies ahead of the start of Southwestern schools next week.



Bob Demaree

Adalee Alexander (left) gets help from Mary Neely of the Hanover Senior Citizens in picking out a new backpack during the Backpack Giveaway on Saturday at the Hanover Community Park. In the background is another Hanover Senior Citizens volunteer Barbara Gosman who worked to keep the backpacks in order. More than 400 backpacks and other school supplies were available for students as they prepare for the beginning of a new school year next week.

## Commissioners hear recommendations on residential treatment

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

Recommendations on a residential treatment facility for Jefferson County were presented to the County Commissioners at their meeting Thursday including a choice between seeking a public-private partnership or hiring an engineering to execute a feasibility study.

Jason Cranney, director of Court Services for the county, presented five recommendations from the Justice Reinvestment Advisory Council (JRAC) that follows work by the residential treatment facility subcommittee that included a needs assessment by the University of Cincinnati.

"This has been a three-plus year process," said Commissioner Ron Lee, who has led the effort in creating a residential treatment subcommittee to address substance abuse and mental health in Jefferson County. The process began first as a possibility for the old Jefferson County Jail while the new Jefferson County Sheriff's Office and Criminal Justice Center was under construction. When it was deemed that the old jail wouldn't be suitable for a residential treatment facility, other alternatives were sought. "It snowballed to where it's at now," said Lee, calling the recommendations "very good. I know what I want to do, so we need to collaborate" to make the residential treatment facility a reality.

There were two choices for recommendations on the residential treatment facility. One was that the Commissioners seek appropriate space for a res-

idential treatment facility, possibly with a public-private partnership or a land purchase to facilitate the private entity, staffing and management.

"It is critical that if you take that recommendation that the treatment facility sustainability hinges on attracting and retaining qualified professional staff and serious plan for sustainable operation," Cranney said.

Also, it was recommended to consider having a Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) for short-term cases and more timely responses, a federal qualified health center to offer medical and mental health services on a sliding fee scale, and collaboration between behavioral health centers.

The other choice among the recommendations for a residential treatment facility is to hire an engineering firm to conduct a feasibility study. "This study should answer the questions if there's enough qualified treatment staff members or counselors to sustain the size of operation, and what the additional cost would be to operate a federal qualified health center or CSU inside the facility with a clear cost of benefit analysis to determine if the cost is too great to offset the already existing services in the surrounding counties," Cranney said.

The other recommendations expanded beyond just a residential treatment facility, covering other initiatives to address mental health and substance abuse.

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## Boys and Girls Club to celebrate 70th anniversary, grand reopening

**BY BOB DEMAREE**

Boys and Girls Club of Jefferson County is combining its 70th anniversary celebration with a grand reopening Friday to unveil recent renovations at the club.

The event, scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Aug. 2, at the club, will provide the public an opportunity to see recent renovations to the facility that has been located for more than 20 years

at 1551 MSH Northgate Road. The work includes a safer main entrance with a glassed-in reception area, an enhanced kitchen area, new ceiling, lighting and flooring and a new HVAC system.

"It still had the original heating and air conditioning," said David Woolpy, the clubs' executive director, who noted that after two decades it was time for a new HVAC system.

Woolpy said the kitchen was "completely gutted" with the walls taken out in three rooms that had been a concession stand, kitchen and office. "It's now one big kitchen and concession stand," which provides the opportunity for new programming.

"We set it up to have cooking classes," said Woolpy, who said the classes are "wildly popular with the kids." He said the

classes provide an opportunity to introduce the youth to eating healthier while also creating a connection to gardening.

There has been painting both to the interior and exterior, paving in the parking lot and a new sign outside the entrance.

The club received a \$716,822 grant from the Bethany Legacy Foundation over two years to fund additional programming at the club along with the renova-

tions. Additionally, the club benefited from a Lilly Endowment Inc. grant for 31 Boys and Girls Club organizations throughout Indiana of which approximately \$500,000 was received locally.

The combination of building renovations and the emphasis on programming is what Woolpy refers to as a desire "to serve more kids better."

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NEWS OF RECORD

JEFFERSON COUNTY  
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LODGINGS  
July 27, 2024

Ashli D. Kynion, Hanover, 36, for Possession of Methamphetamine, a Level 6 felony; and Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor. Bond \$1,000 cash.

Joshua Allen Morrison, 34, Lexington, Indiana, to serve 2 days jail on a court-ordered weekender sentencing. No bond.

Brian Keith Warren, 60, Dupont, Indiana, for Habitual Traffic Violator-Lifetime, a Level 5 felony. No bond.

**July 28, 2024**

Joshua Mack, 42, Madison, for Possession of Methamphetamine and Theft, both Level 6 felonies. No bond.

Nakeshia Deonna Richardson, 38, Deputy, Indiana, for Possession of Methamphetamine and Theft, both Level 6 felonies; Possession of Paraphernalia, a Class C misdemeanor; and on a Jefferson County warrant for probation violation. Bond a combined \$6,000 cash.

**July 29, 2024**

Dustin Edward Coy, 41, Madison, on a parole hold warrant for another county. No bond.

Ashley D. Oblak, 39, Louisville, for Possession of

Marijuana-Prior Conviction, a Class A misdemeanor. No bond.

Christine Torres, 31, Hanover, to serve jail time on weekender sentencing. No bond.

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**SENTENCINGS**  
**July 24, 2024**

Larry Shannon Moeller, 46, Madison, to amended charges of Unlawful Possession of a Syringe, a Level 6 Felony and Possession of Marijuana, a Class B misdemeanor. Sentenced to 545 days at Indiana Department of Correction on the felony, all suspended, consecutive to 34 days on the misdemeanor,

served, and placed on 545 days supervised probation plus \$989 in fees and court costs.

**July 25, 2024**

Drake Ezra Youngblood, 22, Madison, parole violation for Operating a Vehicle While Intoxicated-Endangerment. Sentenced to serve 363 days of previously suspended sentence with credit for 112 days served with incarceration ordered through Oct. 14, 2024, with balance suspended consecutive to 912 days supervised probation for Intimidation, a Level 6 felony and driver's license suspended for 90 days.

**July 25, 2024**

Austin L. Riley, 22, Turners Station, Kentucky, for Possession of a Firearm by

Serious Violent Felon, a Level 4 felony. Sentenced to 3 years executed at Indiana Department of Correction with none suspended, consecutive to revocation of 2 years parole of previously suspended sentence for 2021 Burglary, Level 4 felony.

Crystal Dawn McFadden, 32, Hanover, to an amended charge of Robbery, a Level 5 felony. Sentenced to 1,460 days at Indiana Department of Correction with credit for 151 days served and 1,309 days suspended to supervised probation.

**REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS**

**JEFFERSON COUNTY**  
**July 26, 2024**

Julee Sharp to Shawn

Anthony Starkey, a total of five lots at 106 Ferry Street, Madison.

Allen Douglas Purcell, Connie Jean Purcell (estate) an Connie J. Purcell to Allen Douglas Purcell, 1090 Borcharding Road, Madison.

Jacob Conard to Jacob Conard and Miranda S. Conard, 6741 North Bacon Ridge Road, Madison.

James M. Finnegan and Brenda R. Finnegan to Hanover Village LLC, 15 parcels including 7 lots and 4 tracts including 228, 236 and 242 Fran Road, Hanover and 247 East Cynthia Avenue, Hanover.

Chad E. Owens to Wisner Investment Group LLC, 628 West Third street, Madison.

Sorvino-Schneider  
‘get hitched’  
in Las Vegas

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

Dee Dee Sorvino, who owns property on Main Street in downtown Madison, announced on social media Tuesday that she and actor John Schneider, 64, best known for the 1980s TV series, “Dukes of Hazard,” were married on Tuesday in Las Vegas.

Born Denessa Purvis Benkie, Sorvino, 57, is a Versailles native and former Hanover College student. She was married to actor Paul Sorvino from 2014 until his death at age 83 on July 25, 2022.

Both Sorvino and Schneider posted about their nuptials on social media on Wednesday.

“Big news big news everybody! Dee Dee and I got hitched last night in Vegas!” Schneider said.

Sorvino said, “After losing Paul I never thought I would find love again and then this guy came along who also lost his wife,” referring to Schneider whose wife, Allain, died from breast cancer Feb. 21, 2023. “Before Paul died

he kept telling me to find love again when he was gone and I said no way, not happening. Clearly he is still the boss in heaven.”

Sorvino thanked those who “went through the suffering with me after Paul died and now can be there for the happiness again. I never ever thought possible.”

Schneider visited Sorvino in Madison last fall, and afterwards posted on social media, “Every minute of Madison was a delight. The colors in the fall are staggeringly beautiful and so are the people. I even left with a key to the city thanks to my new friend Mayor Bob (Courtney). Just when you think the world has gone to hell in a handbasket you discover magical places like Madison, Indiana. If you ever have the opportunity or are close by, you should stop in this wonderful town and be reminded of what this great country of ours is all about. Madison Indiana is the America you remember.”

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**EVENTS**

Music at the Mansion  
Lanier Mansion State Historic Site  
601 West First St., Madison  
Saturday, Aug. 10, 6-8 p.m.  
Bring lawn chairs and blankets to the mansion grounds for an evening of live music by the band Slow Gin, a trio from Indianapolis, specializing in a unique blend of blues, rock and psychedelic sounds. Free admission.

Keepers of the Kingdom Vacation Bible School  
North Madison United Methodist Church  
2235 Allen St., Madison.  
Daily Tuesday, July 30-Thursday, Aug. 1, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
For children ages 3 through grade 4. Games, crafts, prizes, snacks and songs, and learning about the Armor of God. Call 812-273-1226 for pre-registration information. Free.

Big Oaks Conservation Society Ice Cream Social  
Big Oaks National Wildlife Refuge  
1661 West JPG Niblo Road  
Monday, Aug. 5 at 5 p.m.  
The event will take place at the historic Oakdale Schoolhouse with short walking tours of this historic landmark before the serving of dessert. Homemade ice cream and desserts will be served. To attend the event, follow the brown directional signs to the refuge office off Highway 421.

Bedford Bash  
Bedford, Kentucky  
Friday, Aug. 16 from 4-10 p.m.  
The annual Bedford Bash in downtown Bedford with a car show, live music, cheerleading demonstrations, food and

craft vendors, the Bedford Volunteer Fire Department benefit Fish Fry and announcement of the Bedford Rotary Club's Citizen of the Year.

**CLASS REUNION**

Madison Class of 1979  
Weekend of Aug. 30-31  
The Madison Consolidated High School Class of 1979 will hold its 45th Class Reunion on Friday and Saturday, August 30-31. Cost is \$35/person before July 31. \$40 at the door. Friday event is at Boneyard Grill event room from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. (free). Saturday event is at Hen & Ben's Event Center, 928 Park Street, from 7 p.m.-11 p.m. Payment/ reservation may be made at paypal.me/mchsclassof79 or by mailing a check to Linda Shipley Manning, 7007 Carl Ross Drive, Charlestown, Indiana, 47111.

**SENIOR EVENTS**

Hanover Senior Citizens Center  
Exercising: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is offering free exercising at the Hanover Park Community Center on Mondays and Thursdays at 10 a.m.  
Lunch: The Hanover Senior Citizens Program is serving lunch at noon on Fridays at the Hanover Park Community Center.

Cost is \$5 and RSVP is required by calling 812-498-2894.

Madison Senior Citizens Center  
Senior Meals: Lifetime Resources will be providing congregate meals at the Madison Senior Center, 208 West Main St. on Tuesday and Thursdays from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
Meals are free for anyone over age 60

with a suggested donation of \$6.

Meals are \$6 for anyone under age 60.

Game Days: The Madison Senior Citizens Center hosts weekly card days and Bingo at the Senior Citizens Center in downtown Madison.

The schedule includes Euchre on Mondays and Thursdays from noon until 10 games are completed and Bingo on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

The games are free and open to senior citizens.

**FOOD DISTRIBUTIONS**

Salvation Army Food Bank  
Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays at 331 East Main St., Madison from 12-1 p.m.

A food giveaway at the red door on east side of building. Bring your own bags.

For more information, call 812-265-2157.

House of Hope Food Pantry  
Tuesdays at 100 East 2nd St., Madison from 5-7 p.m. and Fridays from 9-11 a.m.

A food giveaway and distribution at the Jefferson County House of Hope Food Pantry in downtown Madison. Please arrive at the pantry 15 minutes prior to closing to be served.

**CLOTHING DISTRIBUTIONS**

Jesus Clothes Closet  
Trinity United Methodist Church, 412 W. Main St., Madison, Mondays from 9-11 a.m.

Jesus Clothes Closet will distribute free clothing for those in need.

For more information, call 812-866-4843.

FBI: Trump agrees to be interviewed in assassination attempt investigation

**BY ERIC TUCKER  
ASSOCIATED PRESS**

WASHINGTON — Former President Donald Trump has agreed to be interviewed by the FBI as part of an investigation into his attempted assassination in Pennsylvania earlier this month, a special agent said on Monday in disclosing how the gunman prior to the shooting had researched mass attacks and explosive devices.



Donald Trump

The expected interview with the 2024 Republican presidential nominee is part of the FBI's standard protocol to speak with victims during the course of their criminal investigations. The FBI said on Friday that Trump was struck by a bullet or a fragment of one during the July 13 assassination attempt at a campaign rally in Butler, Pennsylvania.

“We want to get his

**Through roughly 450 interviews, the FBI has fleshed out a portrait of the gunman, Thomas Matthew Crooks, that reveals him to be a “highly intelligent” but reclusive 20-year-old whose primary social circle was his family.**

perspective on what he observed,” said Kevin Rojek, the special agent in charge of the FBI's Pittsburgh field office. “It is a standard victim interview like we would do for any other victim of crime, under any other circumstances.”

Through roughly 450 interviews, the FBI has fleshed out a portrait of the gunman, Thomas Matthew


ing the purchase in recent months of chemical precursors that investigators believe were used to create the explosive devices found in his car and his home and the use of a drone about 200 yards (180 meters) from the rally site in the hours before the event.

In addition, Rojek said, Crooks looked online for information about mass shootings, improvised explosive devices, power plants and the attempted assassination in May of Slovakia's populist Prime Minister Robert Fico.

The FBI has said that on July 6, the day Crooks

registered to attend the Trump rally, he googled: “How far away was Oswald from Kennedy?” That's a reference to Lee Harvey Oswald, the shooter who killed President John F. Kennedy from a sniper's perch in Dallas on Nov. 22, 1963.

Crooks' parents have been “extremely cooperative” with investigators, Rojek said, and the extensive planning that preceded the shooting was done online. The parents have said they had no knowledge of Crooks' plans, and investigators have no reason to doubt that, the FBI said.



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## WEATHER

**Sunrise:** 6:40 a.m.  
**Sunset:** 8:55 p.m.  
**Temperature:** High 87, Low 69, Mean 78.0, Excess 3.6  
**Precipitation since last published:** .50  
**Precipitation, July 2024:** 4.83  
**Precipitation, 2024:** 24.06  
**Barometer:** 29.91, Rising  
**River Level at Clifty Creek:** 421.86, Rising  
**Forecast:** Wednesday: Thunderstorms High 89/Low 72; Thursday: Partly cloudy High 91/Low 71; Friday: Scattered thunderstorms High 89/Low 68.

## BIRTHDAYS

Editor's Note: Got a birthday or anniversary coming up? Send name, date and number of years (optional) to zelda@madisoncourier.com or call 812-265-3641. Please leave your name and phone number in case we have followup questions.

**JULY 30**  
Brenda Brown  
Toby Hoffman

Kelsi Schmidlapp

**AUGUST 1**  
Mike Jones  
Bonnie Miller  
August 2  
Bill Robertson  
Vickie Scott  
August 3  
David Gray  
Debbie Gray  
Russell Phillips  
Wanda Povaleri  
Benji Tingle  
Cory Thomas

## LOTTERY

**INDIANA**  
**Hoosier Lotto:** 8-15-32-33-40-41 (7/27). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$18.5 million. Next Drawing (7/31).  
**Cash Five:** 2-3-13-20-35 (7/28).  
**Cash 4 Life:** 23-42-43-49-56 CB: 2 (7/28)

**KENTUCKY**  
**Cash Ball:** 1-5-24-30 CB 3 (7/28)  
**Kentucky 5 Extra:** 9-10-19-32-33 (7/28)  
**Lucky For Life:** 2-4-10-26-29 LB: 3 (7/28)

**POWERBALL**  
**3-31-37-40-64 PB:** 17, PP 3 (7/27). Next Estimated Jackpot: \$144 million. Next Drawing (7/29)  
**POWERBALL DOUBLE PLAY:** 19-445-57-64-69 PB: 7 (7/27). Next Estimated Jackpot: Up to \$10 million. Next Drawing (7/29)

**MEGAMILLIONS**  
**2-14-33-58-65 MB:** 3, MP 3 (7/26). Next Jackpot: \$331 million. Next Drawing (7/30)

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**OBITUARIES**

**Jackie ‘Jack’ LaVerne Rampy**

Jackie “Jack” LaVerne Rampy, age 88 Years, of Madison, IN, Jack L. Rampy, husband, father, grand and great grandfather, passed away on 07/25/2024. He was born July 21, 1936, in Edina Missouri to Thelma Hayden Rampy and Glen Tyhurst Rampy. He was the eighth of 10 children with seven brothers and two sisters. He graduated from Edina High School and attended Kirkville State Teachers College (Now Truman State University) on a music scholarship. Jack was a hard worker all his life starting at the age of 16 when he traveled to California and worked inspecting vinyl records for RCA. Beginning the following summer he traveled around the western U.S. doing demanding work in the oil fields. Jack enlisted in the army in 1958 between the Korean and Vietnam Wars. He was fully vested after two years with the rank of staff Sergeant. After leaving military service he then trained and became a store manager for P.N. Hirsch and Company, working for them for 29 years. His career began in the Greenfield, Indiana, and he worked in the Attica, Warsaw and Madison, Indiana, stores. Jack met his wife Carol Sue Warbritton while working in Attica and they married on December 30, 1961. They have two children- Jackie Armstrong and Jeff Rampy. While living in Attica, Jack founded the first chapter of the Jaycees and was appointed as the first president of that chapter. When P.N. Hirsh closed in the early 1970’s Jack moved on to work in retail with Walmart for next 17 years. He retired from there but returned to retail work at Tractor Supply and then finally retired from retail after that endeavor. During his retirement years he continued to work as a grounds keeper at various golf courses in the Madison and Scottsburg area. He ended his years of employment with the Prince of Peace School System as a maintenance supervisor, which he did for seven years. Jack attended various churches in his lifetime, but eventually made First Christian Church-Disciples of Christ Madison his home church where he sang in the choir, was an elder and served as the property committee chairperson. Jack enjoyed singing, was a “chronic” whistler, enjoyed a competitive game of golf, and flying his airplane.



He relaxed during beach vacations with his family. Jack will be forever missed by his wife Carol of 63 years, his daughter and namesake Jackie Rampy Armstrong and her partner Jon M. Browning, his son Jeff Rampy and his wife Katie. He will also be missed by his grandchildren Allison Armstrong and her partner Stephon, Matthew Armstrong and his partner Ashleigh Rae, Jenna Armstrong and her partner Drew Gibbs, Tylor and his wife Abby Rampy, Jarod Rampy and Cameron Rampy. He will also be missed by his great-grandchildren, Cohen, Payton and Emmitt. He will be missed by his former son-in-law Mike Armstrong and his brother Larry of Fort Madison, Iowa. Lastly, he will be missed by his three sisters-in-law, two brothers-in-law, and many nieces and nephews all of which loved him dearly. Jack was preceded in death by his parents. Six brothers, and two sisters who passed down the traits for the foundation of a Rampy legacy of love. Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday, July 31, 2024, at 11 a.m., by Bro. Bob Hicks at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will be at a later date at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 North Gate Road in Madison, IN, with military honors provided by the Fort Knox Ceremonial Unit and the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion. Friends may visit Tuesday, July 30, 2024, from 4 — 7 p.m. and Wednesday, July 31, 2024, from 10 a.m. until the time of service at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive in Madison, IN. Memorial contributions may be made to the Hickory Creek Remembrance Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Hanover and Madison. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Jo Carolyn Leach Day**

Jo Carolyn Leach Day, age 85, of Madison, IN, entered this life on December 20, 1938, in Trimble County, KY. She was the loving daughter of the late William Russell and Helen Lee Stockdale Leach. She was raised in Trimble County and was a 1956 graduate of Trimble County High School. She was united in marriage to Ronald Lee Day on November 10, 1956, at the Manville Christian Church near Madison, IN. This happy union of nearly 59 years was blessed with three daughters, Debbie, Trina, and Ronda and a son, Terry. She lived in the Madison community since 1956 and worked as a health care companion for several years. She was a member of the Manville Christian Church, enjoyed cooking and being with her family. She loved to square dance and sew and she made many square dancing dresses. She enjoyed horseback riding and singing. She sang with Virginia and the Sun Shiners at a nursing home to entertain the residents for several years. Jo died on Wednesday, July 24, 2024. Jo will be missed by her loving daughters, Debbie Day Long and her husband Frank of Madison, IN, Trina Day Copeland and her husband Gary of Canaan, IN, Ronda Day Leffler and her husband Jeremy of Corydon, IN; her grandchildren, James Erik Long (Beth), Britt Anthony Copeland, Brienne Corrina Copeland Vigar (Tyler), Kayla Lynn Brawner Baker (Brian), Brady Patrick Brawner, Tracy Lynn Day Ault (Brian),



Nicholas Carey Day and Michelle Koontz Bear (Nate); her great grandchildren, Henry Kristopher Long, Dylan Elijah Long, Chandler Lee Hutchinson, and Sophia Ann Bear; her sister, Leatta Layton and her husband Larry of Milton, KY; several nieces, nephews, and other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, William Russell Leach; her mother, Helen Lee Stockdale Leach; her brothers, Darrell Maynard “Rocky” Leach, and William Douglas “Doug” Leach; her sisters, Janice Ann Banks, Patty Ellis, and Ruth Evelyn Chatham; her son, Terry Lee Day, and his wife, Patricia Dianne Preston Day; her husband of nearly 59 years, Ronald Lee Day, died August 27, 2015. Funeral services were held on Monday, July 29, 2024, at 1 p.m. , by Chaplain Mitch Wiley at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, IN. Interment followed in the Moffett Cemetery in Milton, KY. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Croix Hospice. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover, IN. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**Georgia Carol Westrick**

Georgia Carol Westrick, age 88, of Milton, KY, and the daughter of the late Herbert and Bessie (McCellan) Alexander, was born on Monday, March 30, 1936, in Trimble County, KY. Mrs. Westrick passed away on Friday, July 26, 2024, at her residence in Milton. Her life will be cherished by her children: Esstil Lee Westrick and his wife, Carol of Milton, Sharon McAtee and her husband, Steve of Milton, Clifton Webb “C.W.” Westrick, of Milton, and Dorothy Regina Westrick, of Carrollton, KY; her sisters: Flora Amy Gibson, of Worthville, KY, and Virginia Hensley, of Carrollton; five grandchildren, 12 great grandchildren, and two great great granddaughter. In addition to her parents,

she was preceded in death by her husband of 68 years, S.G. Westrick who passed away on October 11, 2021; two infant daughters: Martha and Mary; her siblings: David, Alfred, Dorothy, Frances, Katherine, and her daughter-in-law: Cynthia “Cindy” Westrick. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday, July 30, 2024 at Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel on Madison’s hilltop with interment to follow in Mt. Carmel Cemetery in Milton, KY. Friends and family could visit at Lytle Welty Funeral Home & Cremation Service, Vail Chapel from 6 to 8 p.m. on Monday, July 29, 2024 and from 2 p.m. until the time of the service on Tuesday. Online condolences can be made at [www.lytlewelty.com](http://www.lytlewelty.com).

**Holden Isaac Ray**

Holden Isaac Ray was born on Monday, July 22, 2024, to his loving parents, Douglas North Ray and Gabrielle “Gabby” Alexis-Anderson Bowen at the Cincinnati Children’s Hospital in Cincinnati, OH. Holden went to his heavenly home at 11:40 p.m. on Tuesday, July 23, 2024, in the arms of his Mommy and Daddy. Holden will be missed by his heart broken parents, Douglas North Ray and Gabrielle “Gabby” Alexis-Anderson Bowen of Vevay, IN; his maternal-grandparents, Shaun & Kimberly Bowen of Sanders, KY, and Mike & Jessica Wilkerson of Henry County, KY; his paternal-grandparents, Eric Ray of Vevay, IN, and Katina & Gary Cain of near Moorefield, IN; his maternal-great-grandparents, Darlene Bowen of Newark Valley, NY, and Kathy & Dean Wilkerson of Pilot Grove, MO; his paternal-great-grandparents, William “Doug” Ray of Vevay, IN, James C. “Jimmy” Leap of Vevay, IN and Chester Cain of Vevay, IN; maternal-great-great-grandmother, Norma Johnson of Pilot Grove, MO; his aunts and uncles, Cameron & Tylor Works, Carter Ray, Lauren Bowen, Cheyenne Bowen, Piper Bowen, Isabella Bowen, Sara Wilkerson, and

Rebecca Wilkerson; his great-aunts and uncles, Jerry Ray, Paul & Lisa Ray, Stacie & Steve Helton, Kathleen Carter, Eric Bowen, Scott Bowen, Brad Wetherbee, Missy Anderson and Marry Anderson and his cousins, Evelenia & Oliver Works. Holden was preceded in death by his paternal-great-grandparents, Barbara Mae (Wiley) Ray, Evelenia “Jane” (Beach) Leap, Nancy Ann (Andrew) Cain and Ronald Carter; his maternal-great-grandparents, Ronald Bowen, Jim Anderson and Elizabeth West; his maternal-great-great-grandfather, Herbert Johnson; his paternal-great-uncle, Jerry Dean Bruce; his paternal-great-great-uncles, Danny Ray and Larry Ray and his maternal-great-great-uncle, Cliff Johnson. Visitation was held Saturday, July 27, 2024, at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home in Vevay, IN. Funeral services were conducted Saturday, July 27, 2024, at 1 p.m., by Rev. Scott Elston at the Haskell & Morrison Funeral Home. Cards are available at the funeral home or online at [www.haskellandmorrison.com](http://www.haskellandmorrison.com).

**Robert Todd Helton**

Robert Todd Helton, age 47, of Deputy, IN, entered this life on April 19, 1977, in Madison, IN. He was the son of late George Bedunah and Donna Jane Smith Helton Calhoun and was also blessed with an adopted father, Ernest Helton. Todd died on Friday, July 19, 2024, at 5:23 p.m. at the Scott Memorial Hospital in Scottsburg, IN. Robert will be missed by his loving daughters, January Rain Helton and Paisley May Helton of Madison, IN; his adopted father, Ernest Helton of Madison, IN; his brothers, Joe Helton and his wife Lacie of Deputy, IN, Gunner Calhoun and his wife Jenna of New Albany, IN, and Jimmy Badunah of IN; and his sister, Shelby Badunah of IN. He was preceded in death by his biological father, George Bedunah; his mother, Donna Jane Smith Helton Calhoun who died January 10, 1959; his sister, Stephanie Badunah; his step father, William Sean Burrows, and his brother, Michael Helton.

Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday, July 30, 2024, at 1 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Interment will be at a later date at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 N. Gate Road, Madison, IN, 47250. Friends may visit Tuesday from 11 a.m. — 1 p.m. at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre, 325 Demaree Drive Madison, IN. Full military honors will be rendered by the Major Samuel Woodfill Post No. 9 of the American Legion and the United States Marine Corps on Tuesday following the service at the Indiana Veterans Memorial Cemetery, 1415 N. Gate Road, Madison, IN, 47250. Memorial contributions may be made to the January and Paisley Support Fund. Cards are available at the Morgan & Nay Funeral Centres of Madison and Hanover. Online condolences, remembrances, and memorials can be left at [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

**DEATH NOTICE**

**Alan Andrew Green, 69**, of Hanover, IN, died Wednesday, July 24, 2024, at Thornton Terrace Health Campus in Hanover. Cremation

was chosen with no services to be held. Arrangements by Morgan & Nay Funeral Centre in Madison, IN, [www.morgan-nay.com](http://www.morgan-nay.com).

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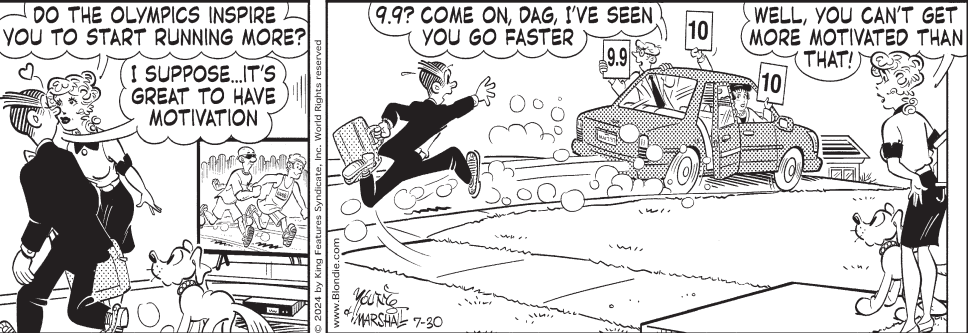
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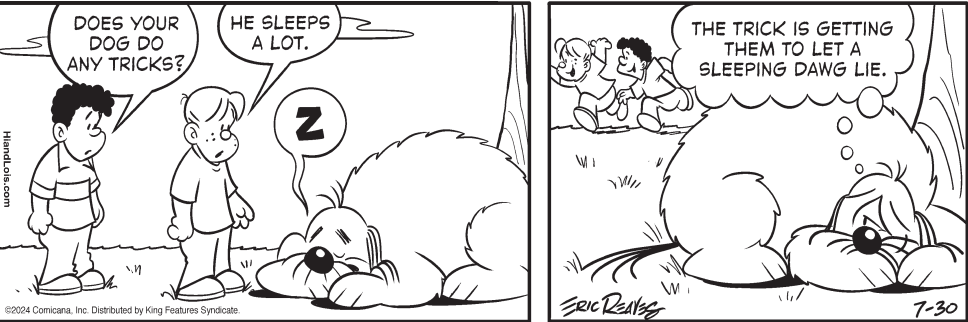
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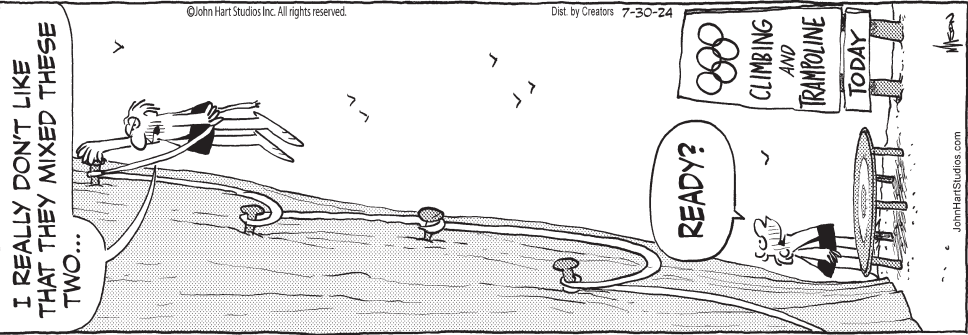
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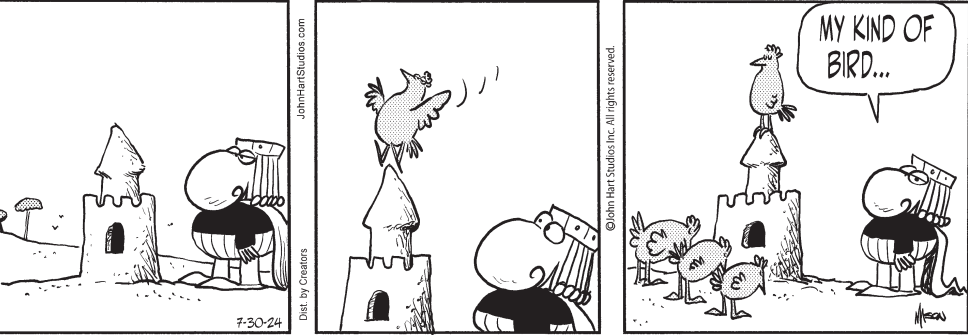
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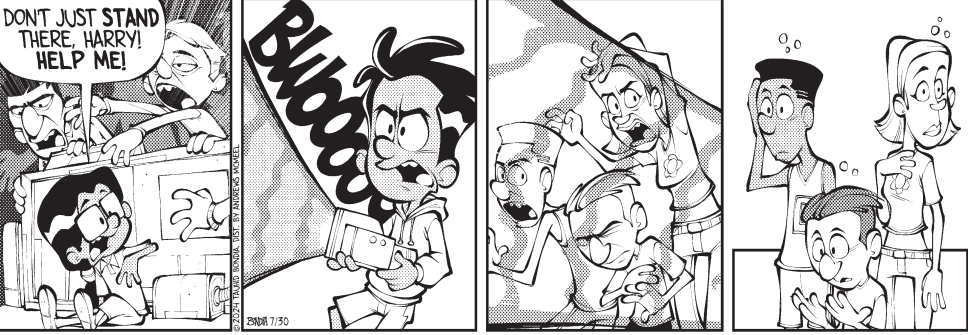
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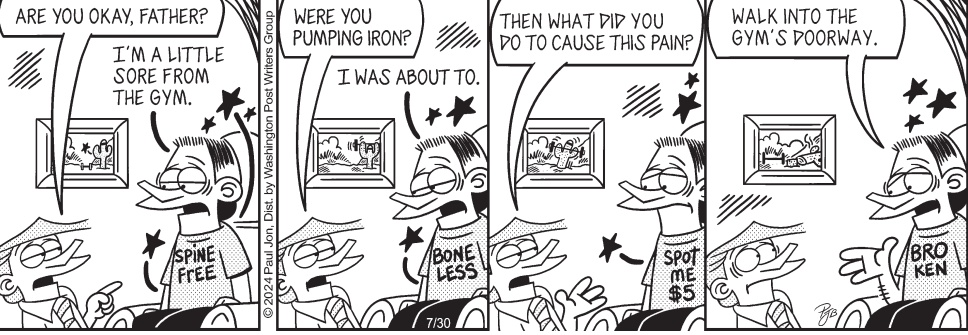
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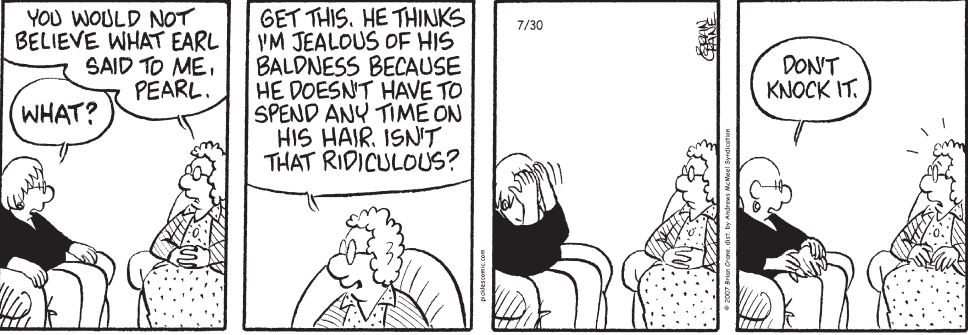
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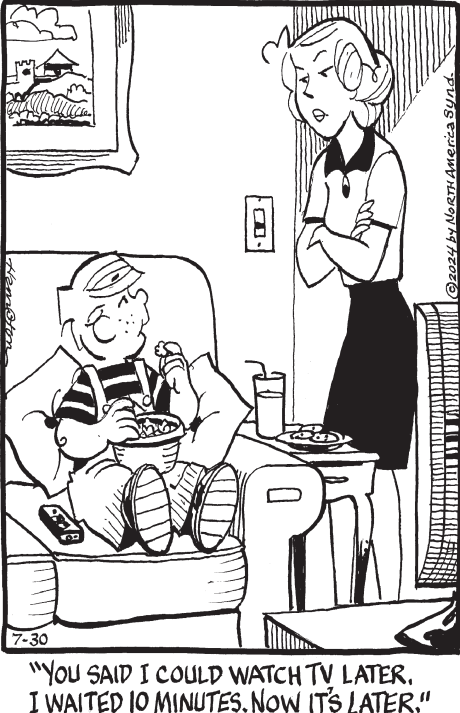


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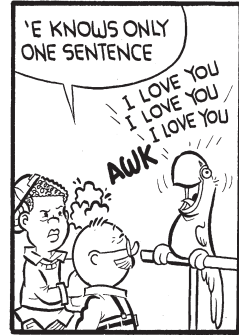
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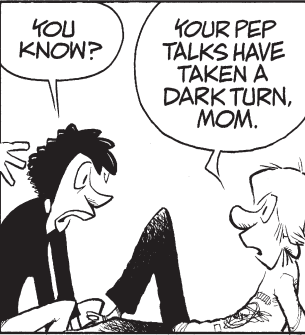
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TODAY IN HISTORY

**Today in history:**  
On July 30, 1976, Bruce Jenner, now known as Caitlyn Jenner, set a world record of 8,618 points and won the gold medal in the Olympic decathlon at the Montreal Summer Games.  
**Also on this date:**  
**In 1619**, the first representative assembly in Colonial America convened in Jamestown in the Virginia Colony.  
**In 1864**, during the Civil War, Union forces tried to take Petersburg, Virginia, by exploding a gunpowder-laden mine shaft beneath Confederate defense lines; the attack failed.  
**In 1916**, German saboteurs blew up a munitions plant on Black Tom, an island near Jersey City, New Jersey, killing about a dozen people.  
**In 1930**, Uruguay won the first FIFA World Cup, defeating Argentina 4-2.  
**In 1945**, the Portland class heavy cruiser USS Indianapolis, having just delivered components of the atomic bomb to Tinian in the Mariana Islands during World War II, was torpedoed by a Japanese submarine; only 316 out of nearly 1,200 service members survived.  
**In 1956**, President Dwight D. Eisenhower signed a measure making "In God We Trust" the national motto, replacing "E Pluribus Unum."  
**In 1965**, President Lyndon B. Johnson signed the Social Security Amendments of 1965, which led to the creation of Medicare and Medicaid.  
**In 2008**, ex-Bosnian Serb leader Radovan Karadzic was extradited to The Hague to face genocide charges

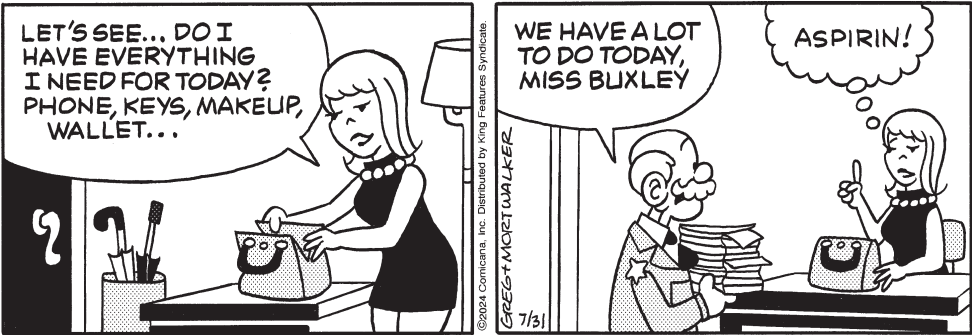


after nearly 13 years on the run. (He was sentenced by a U.N. court in 2019 to life imprisonment after being convicted of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes.)  
**In 2012**, three electric grids in India collapsed in a cascade, cutting power to 620 million people in the world's biggest blackout.  
**In 2013**, U.S. Army Pfc. Chelsea Manning was acquitted of aiding the enemy — the most serious charge she faced — but was convicted of espionage, theft and other charges at Fort Meade, Maryland, more than three years after she'd spilled secrets to WikiLeaks. (The former intelligence analyst was later sentenced to up to 35 years in prison, but the sentence was commuted by President Barack Obama in his final days in office.)  
**In 2016**, 16 people died when a hot air balloon caught fire and exploded after hitting high-tension power lines before crashing into a pasture near Lockhart, Texas, about 70 miles northeast of San Antonio.

**Today's Birthdays:**  
Former Major League Baseball Commissioner Bud Selig is 90. Blues musician Buddy Guy is 88. Singer Paul Anka is 83. Actor and former California Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger is 77. Actor Jean Reno is 76. Actor Ken Olin is 70. Actor Delta Burke is 68. Law professor Anita Hill is 68. Singer-songwriter Kate Bush is 66. Film director Richard Linklater is 64. Actor Laurence Fishburne is 63. TV personality Alton Brown is 62. Actor Lisa Kudrow is 61. Basketball Hall of Famer Chris Mullin is 61. Actor Vivica A. Fox is 60. Actor Terry Crews is 56. Actor Simon Baker is 55. Film director Christopher Nolan is 54. Actor Tom Green is 53. Actor Christine Taylor is 53. Actor Hilary Swank is 50. Olympic gold medal beach volleyball player Misty May-Treanor is 47. Actor Jaime Pressly is 47. Alt-country singer-musician Seth Avett is 44. Former soccer player Hope Solo is 43. Actor Yvonne Strahovski is 42. Actor Martin Starr is 42. Actor Gina Rodriguez is 40. Actor Nico Tortorella is 35. Actor Joey King is 25.



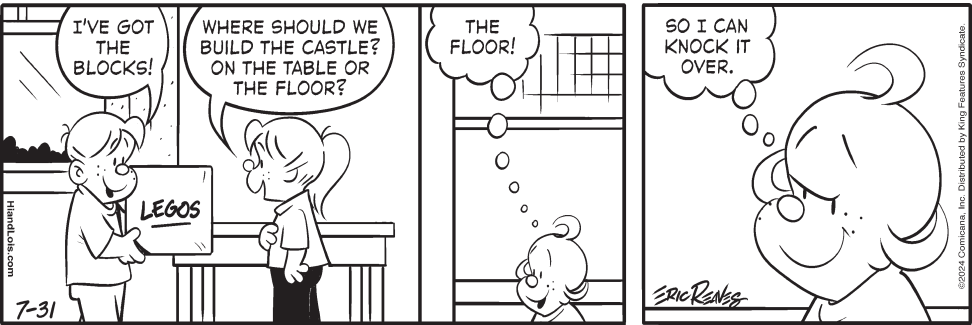
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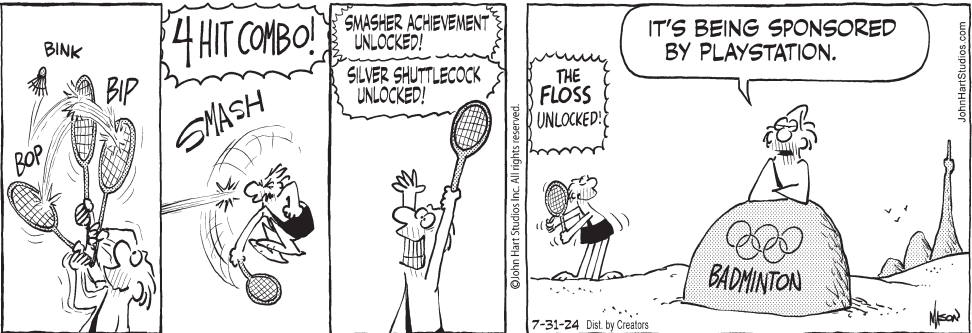
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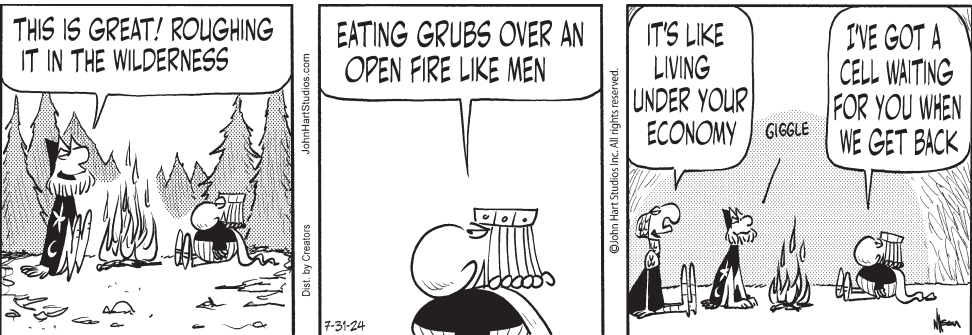
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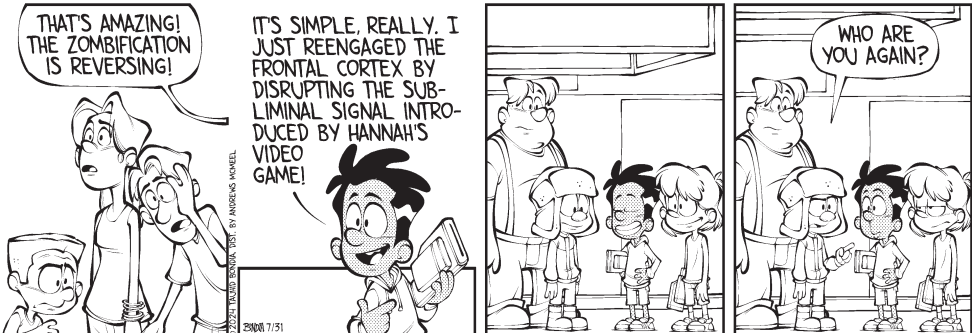
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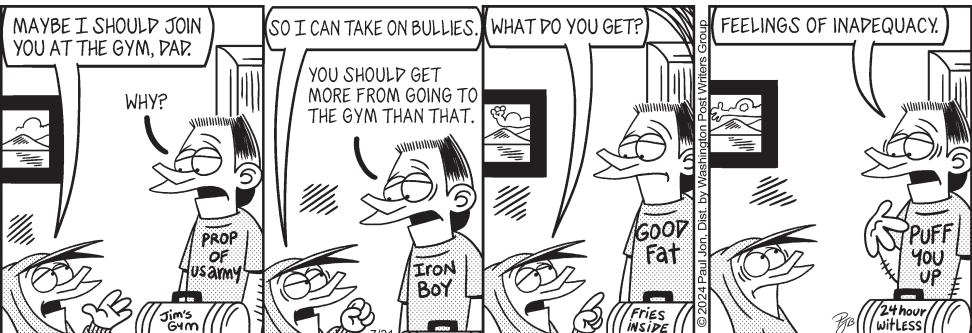
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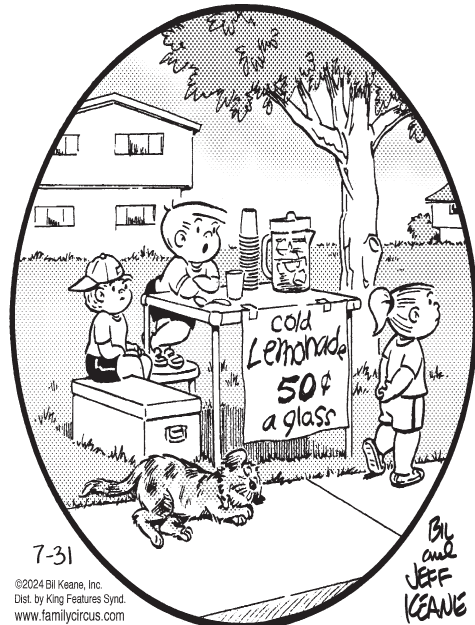


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TODAY IN HISTORY

**Today in history:**  
On July 31, 2012, at the Summer Olympics in London, swimmer Michael Phelps won his 19th Olympic medal, becoming the most decorated Olympian of all time. (He would finish his career with 28 total Olympic medals, 23 of them gold.)  
**Also on this date:**  
**In 1715**, a fleet of Spanish ships carrying gold, silver and jewelry sank during a hurricane off the east Florida coast; of some 2,500 crew members, more than 1,000 died.  
**In 1777**, the 19-year-old Marquis de Lafayette received a commission as major general in the Continental Army by the Second Continental Congress.  
**In 1919**, Germany's Weimar Constitution was adopted by the republic's National Assembly.  
**In 1945**, Pierre Laval, premier of the pro-Nazi Vichy government in France, surrendered to U.S. authorities in Austria; he was turned over to France, which later tried and executed him.  
**In 1957**, the Distant Early Warning Line, a system of radar stations designed to detect Soviet bombers approaching North America, went into operation.  
**In 1964**, the U.S. lunar probe Ranger 7 took the first close-up images of the moon's surface.  
**In 1971**, Apollo 15 crew members David Scott and James Irwin became the first astronauts to use a lunar rover on the surface of the moon.  
**In 1972**, vice-presidential candidate Thomas Eagleton withdrew from the Democratic ticket with George McGovern following disclosures that Eagleton had received electroshock therapy to treat clinical depression.  
**In 1991**, President George H.W. Bush and Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev signed the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty (START I) in Moscow.  
**In 2020**, a federal appeals court overturned the death sentence of Dzhokhar Tsarnaev in the 2013 Boston Marathon bombing, saying the judge who oversaw the case didn't adequately screen jurors for potential biases.

(The Supreme Court later reimposed the sentence.)  
**Today's Birthdays:** Jazz composer-musician Kenny Burrell is 93. Actor Geraldine Chaplin is 80. Former movie studio executive Sherry Lansing is 80. Singer Gary Lewis is 78. International Tennis Hall of Famer Evonne Goolagong Cawley is 73. Actor Michael Biehn is 68. Rock singer-musician Daniel Ash (Love and Rockets) is 67. Entrepreneur Mark Cuban is 66. Rock musician Bill Berry (R.E.M.) is 66. Jazz guitarist Stanley Jordan is 65. Actor Wesley Snipes is 62. Musician Fatboy Slim is 61. Author J.K. Rowling is 59. Actor Dean Cain is 58. Actor Jim True-Frost is 55. Actor Ben Chaplin is 55. Actor Eve Best is 53. Football Hall of Famer Jonathan Ogden is 50. Country singer-musician Zac Brown is 46. Actor-producer-writer B.J. Novak is 45. Football Hall of Famer DeMarcus Ware is 42. NHL center Evgeni Malkin is 38. NASCAR driver Kyle Larson is 32. Hip-hop artist Lil Uzi Vert is 29. Actor Rico Rodriguez (TV: "Modern Family") is 26.



# LEGACY TAKING SHAPE



Bob Demaree

James Gordon (left) prepares the ground so that Dave Patterson can place a stone in the area where architect Francis Costigan will be recognized in the new Ohio River Legacy Park. The stone was taken from old sidewalks and gutters that the city of Madison has stored after removal on other projects. “It’s a way of being thoughtful” and trying remember the city’s past, said Tony Steinhardt III, the city’s economic development director. There will be a bench on the stone with a direct view of the Shrewsbury-Windle House.



Bob Demaree

Landscaping for the new Ohio River Legacy Park is nearing conclusion with a formal opening likely to come this fall. George DeBaptiste will be recognized with a bronze bust (left) for his contributions to the underground railroad during the time that he lived in Madison. In the northern portion of the park, there will also be a plaque that honors architect Francis Costigan, directed towards the Shrewsbury Windle House, a Madison structure Costigan designed. Additionally, Madison’s industrial heritage will be remembered in the space that once served as a planing mill, button factory and boat shop. Stone from the foundation will serve as an outline of the building that once stood there, where there now is a pollinator garden.



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Dave Patterson (right) and James Gordon work to level the gravel base where salvaged stones are being laid at Ohio River Legacy Park. The work to landscape the park has been done over the last couple of months by Patterson Nursery. The park is slated to open sometime this fall.



Bob Demaree

James Gordon (right) watches as Dave Patterson moves a stone slab as part of the walking path at the new Ohio River Legacy Park.



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A stone path winds through the pollinator garden at Ohio River Legacy Park where a building once stood that during its history served as a planing mill, button factory and boat shop. The building burned in the 1950s, and the lot had sat vacant for decades until recently when Historic Madison Inc. turned the deed over to the city to convert the area into a park.



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# What are states’ succession rules for VP candidates?

**BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The 2024 White House campaign has thrust a handful of governors and senators into the mix for vice president, and that has drawn attention to rules of succession in the contenders’ home states should they win.

Each state has its own rules for naming replacements when elected officials leave office. Those rules carry significant political stakes in a year when former President Donald Trump has already selected Ohio Sen. JD Vance as his running mate and Vice President Kamala Harris considers her own choice for the No. 2 spot on the ticket.

Here are the rules in some states that have VP contenders:

**PENNSYLVANIA**

If Harris picks Gov. Josh Shapiro, he can remain in office as governor while he campaigns for vice president. If he ultimately were elected, Shapiro would have to resign as governor before the Jan. 20, 2025, inauguration.

Shapiro, 51, is in his second year as governor.

Constitutionally, Democratic Lt. Gov. Austin Davis would be tapped to serve the remainder of Shapiro’s four-year term, which ends in January 2027. Davis ran on the 2022 general election ticket with Shapiro after Shapiro endorsed him in a separate primary for the lieutenant governor’s office.

Davis, 34, would become the youngest governor in the country and the first Black governor

of Pennsylvania, as well as its second-youngest ever. He is already the youngest lieutenant governor in the nation and the first Black lieutenant governor in Pennsylvania.

A new governor would be elected in the November 2026 election.

**OHIO**

If Vance is elected, Republican Gov. Mike DeWine would have the job of appointing his replacement.

His appointee would serve from Inauguration Day until Dec. 15, 2026, under state law. A special election for the last two years of Vance’s six-year term would be held in November 2026.

DeWine has said he would pick someone who would work hard for Ohio and also be capable of running — and winning — in 2026.

The race for the next full six-year term would take place in 2028.

A Senate vacancy would present DeWine with the opportunity to alleviate a bottleneck at the top of the political pecking order of aspiring Ohio Republicans.

Lt. Gov. Jon Husted and Attorney General Dave Yost are already positioning to face off in a 2026 gubernatorial primary, and three other sitting statewide officeholders who are Republicans face 2026 term limits and are weighing their futures. Also, Cleveland businessman Bernie Moreno is running this fall for Ohio’s other Senate seat against

incumbent Sen. Sherrod Brown.

**NORTH CAROLINA**

Gov. Roy Cooper already must leave his current job in January because the state constitution limits him to two consecutive four-year terms. He is one of the many governors on Harris’ short list.

Another constitutional provision offers the potential for Cooper’s out-of-state campaign travels as a Harris running mate to complicate matters back home.

The constitution says that “during the absence of the Governor from the State ... the Lieutenant Governor shall be Acting Governor.”

The current lieutenant governor, who is elected separately from the governor, is Republican Mark Robinson. Robinson is running for governor against Democratic Attorney General Josh Stein, and the provision could help Robinson carry out favored policy choices during the final weeks of his campaign.

But could Robinson replace significant Cooper policies permanently? That’s highly unlikely, one political expert said, based on the governor’s previous travel history and modern transportation and communications.

The idea is “almost like a fun parlor game,” said Chris Cooper, a Western Carolina University political science professor unrelated to the governor. “It’s a quirky part of our state constitution, but in terms of public policy it’s just not going to be meaningful.”

If Robinson issued an executive order that Roy Cooper didn’t like, the governor could just undo it when he returned, Chris Cooper said.

And while the GOP-controlled General Assembly could convene in Cooper’s absence and pass a bill that Robinson could quickly sign, Republicans already have veto-proof majorities to enact bills largely whenever they choose.

**KENTUCKY**

Democratic Gov. Andy Beshear has raised his national profile by winning a second term last year in heavily Republican Kentucky.

Democratic Lt. Gov. Jacqueline Coleman would take Beshear’s place in Kentucky should the governor resign to become vice president. She would serve out the remainder of his term, which ends in late 2027, and could run for a full term in that year’s election. Beshear and Coleman ran as a ticket in their successful campaigns in 2019 and 2023.

There is debate within Kentucky political circles about Coleman’s ability to appoint a successor as lieutenant governor. It’s an “open question” because Kentucky’s constitution “doesn’t address the issue specifically,” says University of Kentucky law professor Joshua A. Douglas.

This isn’t the first time that Kentucky’s succession rules have come under scrutiny. Republican lawmakers this

spring passed a measure to have a vacant U.S. Senate seat filled by a special election, overriding Beshear’s veto. The bill removed the governor from a role in filling a vacancy. It came amid heightened scrutiny about the health of Kentucky’s senior senator, Republican leader Mitch McConnell, though bill supporters said it was unrelated.

**ARIZONA**

As he is looked at as a possible Democratic VP contender, Sen. Mark Kelly is no stranger to Arizona’s process for replacing candidates. He won a special election in 2020 for John McCain’s old seat.

If the former astronaut is chosen as vice president, Democratic Arizona Gov. Kate Hobbs would have to appoint a replacement from the same party as Kelly. That person would serve until a special election in 2026 to fill the last two years of Kelly’s term.

In December 2018, Republican Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey appointed Republican then-Rep. Martha McSally to the McCain seat, which had been filled for a few months after McCain’s death by GOP Sen. Jon Kyl.

In an example of how a Senate seat can eventually change party control, Kelly beat McSally during a 2020 special election that was considered among the most competitive Senate races in the country that year. Kelly went on to be reelected in November 2022.

# Manipulated video shared by Musk raises concerns about AI in politics

**BY ALI SWENSON**  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — A manipulated video that mimics the voice of Vice President Kamala Harris saying things she did not say is raising concerns about the power of artificial intelligence to mislead with Election Day about three months away.

The video gained attention after tech billionaire Elon Musk shared it on his social media platform X on Friday evening without explicitly noting it was originally released as parody.

The video uses many of the same visuals as a real ad that Harris, the likely Democratic president nominee, released last week launching her campaign. But the video swaps out the voice-over audio with another voice that convincingly impersonates Harris.

“I, Kamala Harris, am your Democrat candidate for president because Joe Biden finally exposed his senility at the debate,” the voice says in the video. It claims Harris is a “diversity hire” because she is a woman and a person of color, and it says

she doesn’t know “the first thing about running the country.” The video retains “Harris for President” branding. It also adds in some authentic past clips of Harris.

Mia Ehrenberg, a Harris campaign spokesperson, said in an email to The Associated Press: “We believe the American people want the real freedom, opportunity and security Vice President Harris is offering; not the fake, manipulated lies of Elon Musk and Donald Trump.”

The widely shared video is an example of how lifelike AI-generated images, videos or audio clips have been utilized both to poke fun and to mislead about politics as the United States draws closer to the presidential election. It exposes how, as high-quality AI tools have become far more accessible, there remains a lack of significant federal action so far to regulate their use, leaving rules guiding AI in politics largely to states and social media platforms.

The video also raises questions about how to best handle content that blurs the lines of what is considered an appropriate use of AI, particularly if it falls into the category of satire.

The original user who posted the video, a YouTube known as Mr Reagan, has disclosed both on YouTube and on X that the manipulated video is a parody. But Musk’s post, which has been viewed more than 123 million times, according to the platform, only includes the caption “This is amazing” with a laughing emoji.

X users who are familiar with the platform may know to click through Musk’s post to the original user’s post, where the disclosure is visible. Musk’s caption does not direct them to do so.

While some participants in X’s “community note” feature to add context to posts have suggested labeling Musk’s post, no such label had been added to it as of Sunday afternoon. Some users online questioned whether his post might violate X’s policies, which say users “may not share synthetic, manipulated, or out-of-context media that

may deceive or confuse people and lead to harm.”

The policy has an exception for memes and satire as long as they do not cause “significant confusion about the authenticity of the media.”

Musk endorsed former President Donald Trump, the Republican nominee, earlier this month. Neither Mr Reagan nor Musk immediately responded to emailed requests for comment Sunday.

Two experts who specialize in AI-generated media reviewed the fake ad’s audio and confirmed that much of it was generated using AI technology.

One of them, University of California, Berkeley, digital forensics expert Hany Farid, said the video shows the power of generative AI and deepfakes.

“The AI-generated voice is very good,” he said in an email. “Even though most people won’t believe it is VP Harris’ voice, the video is that much more powerful when the words are in her voice.”

He said generative AI companies that make voice-cloning tools and other AI tools available to the public should do better to ensure their services are not used in ways that could harm people or democracy.

Rob Weissman, co-president of the advocacy group Public Citizen, disagreed with Farid, saying he thought many people would be fooled by the video.

“I don’t think that’s obviously a joke,” Weissman said in an interview. “I’m certain that most people looking at it don’t assume it’s a joke. The quality isn’t great, but it’s good enough. And precisely because it feeds into preexisting themes that have circulated around her, most people will believe it to be real.”

Weissman, whose organization has advocated for Congress, federal agencies and states to regulate generative AI, said the video is “the kind of thing that we’ve been warning about.”

Other generative AI deepfakes in both the U.S. and elsewhere would have tried to influence voters with misinformation, humor or both. In Slovakia in 2023, fake audio clips impersonated a candidate discussing plans to rig an election and raise the price of beer days before the vote. In Louisiana in 2022, a political action committee’s satirical ad superimposed a Louisiana mayoral candidate’s face onto an actor portraying him as an underachieving high school student.

Congress has yet to pass legislation on AI in politics, and federal agencies have only taken limited steps, leaving most existing U.S. regulation to the states. More than one-third of states have created their own laws regulating the use of AI in campaigns and elections, according to the National Conference of State Legislatures.

Beyond X, other social media companies also have created policies regarding synthetic and manipulated media shared on their platforms. Users on the video platform YouTube, for example, must reveal whether they have used generative artificial intelligence to create videos or face suspension.

# UPGRADES

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Goodman said the water infrastructure upgrade plans would include adding a hydrant adjacent to the company next to road, which Goodman said Madison Township Fire Chief Robert Black has

“highly recommended.”

“He would desperately like to have a hydrant where they can load the tanker, so it would additionally benefit the county” at the Jefferson County Highway Garage at 3135 Clifty Drive, said Goodman. “It will benefit the county residents by improving their ability to get water.”

Goodman said “the whole thing has been driven by the increased residential development in the area. We have got data over the years that the available water continues to fall” in that area.

Goodman said Madison Chemical currently employs 121 workers, up 15% since 2022. “Our employees are very

engaged in the community and very active within community affairs,” he said. “In the last 10 years, we’ve invested \$7.5 million in the facility both equipment and structure.”

Goodman said for Madison Chemical to continue growing the site needs better water service to provide adequate fire protection at the facility. “We

hope we never use a drop of it, and that’s the goal, but you can’t build without it,” he said. “You have to have a level of fire protection in order for us to get the building permit to continue our growth.”

Founded in 1947 by David “Beano” Goodman, Madison Chemical is now in its 77th year of operation, growing from a one-

car garage to one of the leaders in the North American sanitation chemical industry.

Bill Torline, executive vice president, said Madison Chemical has “grown steadily, and built on steadily over the years. We are just at point now the water system won’t support our growth. We need to do something.”



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# Tate’s move comes too late as Peabody claims Columbia Cup

**BY DAVID CAMPBELL**

Andrew Tate made his move one lap too late and Corey Peabody held on to the win a crash-marred Apollo Columbia Cup on the Columbia River at Tri-Cities, Washington, Sunday.

Tate, driving the U-91 Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison, was the fastest boat for the third-straight race and won all three of his preliminary heats, but found himself behind the field and in lane three at the start of the winner-take-all final heat.

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H1 Unlimited photo

The U-1 Beacon Electric crashes stern first into the Columbia River on Saturday after riding up the roostertail of teammate Cory Peabody’s U-9 Beacon Plumbing in the first preliminary heat of the Apollo Columbia Cup in Tri-Cities, Washington. Kelly escaped injury but the boat landed upside, sustained heavy damage and withdrew from the weekend. The team is hoping to make repairs in time for next weekend’s race in Seattle.

## RACE RESULTS

### APOLLO COLUMBIA CUP

Columbia River

Kennewick, Washington

Length: 2 miles

#### RESULTS

Sunday, July 28

#### FINAL HEAT

(speeds not available)

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing;
  2. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison;
  3. Dustin Echols, U-40 Flav-R-Pac;
  4. Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes; Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, DSQ.
- disqualified for entering the DMZ.

#### PRELIMINARY HEATS

Saturday, July 27

#### HEAT 1A

1. Dave Villwock, U-27 Miss Apollo, 144.215;
  2. Dustin Echols, U-40 Flav-R-Pac, 136.468;
  2. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 99.211;
  - J. Michael Kelly, U-1 Beacon Electric, DSQ.
- disqualified for causing the stoppage of the heat.

#### HEAT 1B

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate, 140.926;
2. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, 138.391;
3. Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes, 131.043;
4. Bobby King, U-12 Graham Trucking, 130.919.

Sunday, July 28

#### HEAT 2A

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing;
  2. Dustin Echols, U-40 Flav-R-Pac; Bobby King, U-12 Graham Trucking, DSQ;
  - Dave Villwock, U-27 Miss Apollo, DSQ.
- disqualified for causing the stoppage of the heat.

#### HEAT 2B

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate;
2. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, 3;
- Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes.

#### HEAT 3A

1. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing;
2. Dustin Echols, U-40 Flav-R-Pac; Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, DNF.

#### HEAT 3B

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman

Real Estate; 2. Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes.

#### FINAL QUALIFYING RESULTS

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate, 156.185 mph;
2. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 155.450;
3. Dustin Echols, U-40 Flav-R-Pac, 154.566;
4. J. Michael Kelly, U-1 Beacon Electric, 154.000;
5. Dave Villwock, U-27 Miss Apollo, 152.322;
6. Bobby King, U-12 Graham Trucking, 149.800;
7. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, 148.883;
8. Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes, 143.778.

#### NATIONAL POINTS STANDINGS

(After 3 of 5 races)

1. Andrew Tate, U-91 Goodman Real Estate/Miss Madison, 4,750 points;
2. Corey Peabody, U-9 Beacon Plumbing, 3,919;
3. Dustin Echols, U-40 Bucket List Racing, 2,996;
4. Jamie Nilsen, U-11 Miss Mercurys Coffee, 2,722;
5. J. Michael Kelly, U-1 Beacon Electric, 2,435;
6. Dave Villwock, U-27 Miss Apollo, 1,194;
7. Gunnar O’Farrell, U-35 Boitano Homes, 1,118;
8. Bobby King, U-12 Graham Trucking, 209.

# Green wins second medal at USATF Junior Olympics

**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

COLLEGE STATION, Texas — Southwestern Junior High runner Harper Green capped her run at the USATF National Junior Olympics Track & Field Championships with an eighth place finish in the girls 1,500 meters on Saturday.

Green, 12, a seventh grader to be at Southwestern, posted a personal record time of 5:02.61 in the 1,500 to place eighth and earned her second medal of the meet — and All American honors — to go with a personal record 10:49.57 in the girls 3,000 meters to place fifth and earn All American honors on Tuesday.

Green’s time in the 1,500 was just over 13 seconds behind the event winner, Molly Mocko, 12, of Zephyrs Track Club of Bellwood, Illinois, at 4:49.17.

The daughter of Van and Brittany Williams-Green, of Hanover, Harper had advanced to nationals in the 1,500 by winning the state meet in 5:18.26 and placing second at the regional with the time of 5:07.06 — both at Terre Haute, Indiana — while running for the Ohio River Valley Racers track club.



Handout

Harper Green, a 12-year-old seventh grader at Southwestern Junior High, with the two medals she won last week for finishing fifth in the 3,000 meters Tuesday and eighth in the 1,500 meters Saturday at the USATF National Junior Olympics Track & Field Championships in College station, Texas. She earned All American honors in both events.

# Biles, Team USA mix glamour, grit to surge to lead at Olympic gymnastics qualifying

**BY WILL GRAVES**  
AP NATIONAL WRITER

PARIS — Simone Biles and the rest of the U.S. women’s gymnastics team walked onto the floor at Bercy Arena on Sunday in leotards adorned with thousands of crystals, the kind designed to attract as much attention as possible.

Don’t mistake all that glamour — both on the floor and in the stands, where Tom Cruise and Ariana Grande were among those who took in the spectacle — for a lack of grit.

The oldest team the Americans have ever brought to the Games has endured plenty through the years, from health scares to losses in their personal life. Those experiences have prepared them for whatever may come, perhaps Biles most of all.

So when the most decorated gymnast of all time felt a tweak during her floor exercise warm-up on Sunday, she didn’t panic. Neither did her teammates.

Biles briefly retreated to the back so coach Laurent Landi could



Associated Press

American Simone Biles celebrates after competing on the uneven bars during a women’s artistic gymnastics qualification round Sunday at Bercy Arena in Paris.

essentially mummify the bottom of her left leg, then came back out and helped fuel a team that looks every bit as good as advertised.

With Biles — achy calf and all — putting up the highest score on vault and floor exercise and reigning Olympic champion Sunisa Lee

looking perhaps as good as ever on uneven bars, the U.S. posted a total of 172.296, doing little to dampen the expectation that Tuesday night’s team final will be more of a coronation for a team that has called this trip to the Games part of their “Redemption Era.”

# US men’s basketball rolls past Serbia 110-84

**BY TIM REYNOLDS**  
AP BASKETBALL WRITER

VILLENEUVE-D’ASCQ, France — LeBron James was feeling some nervousness, some butterflies, maybe even a bit of angst as he listened to the national anthem play before his first Olympic game in 12 years.

It all went away quickly.

James and Kevin Durant — the two most-experienced Olympians on this American team — opened the Paris Games and a U.S. bid for a fifth consecutive gold medal with a near-perfect show. Durant made his first eight shots and scored 23 points,

James added 21 points, nine assists and seven rebounds and the U.S. rolled to a 110-84 win over Serbia in the Olympic opener for both teams on Sunday.

“That’s the best game we’ve played so far,” James said after the Americans improved to 6-0 this summer, 1-0 in the tournament that matters.

James and Durant were a combined 18 for 22 from the field — 8 of 9 for Durant, 9 of 13 for James — as the U.S. had no trouble with the reigning World Cup silver medalists from last summer in the Philippines. Jrue Holiday scored 15, Devin Book-

er had 12 and Anthony Edwards and Stephen Curry each added 11 for the U.S.

“Whatever it takes,” James said. “It’s going to be somebody different every day. And we have that type of firepower.”

The U.S. improved to 144-6 overall in Olympic play, 56-0 when scoring more than 100 points. The Americans won without Jayson Tatum of the NBA champion Boston Celtics — someone who just agreed to the richest contract in NBA history — in the rotation, which even U.S. coach Steve Kerr thought was crazy when he decided to do it.

## LOCAL SPORTS CALENDAR

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

#### Golf

Carroll Co. boys vs. Walton-Verona at Sugar Bay, 4 p.m.

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

#### Golf

Carroll Co., Trimble Co. boys and girls, German American Bank Classic at Sugar Bay, 8 a.m.

### THURSDAY, AUG. 1

#### Golf

Trimble Co. girls host Walton-Verona, 4:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 2

#### Soccer

Carroll Co. boys at Boone Co. (scrimmage), 10:30 a.m.



# US women beat Germany 4-1 at Olympics

## Canada tops France 2-1 amid drone-spying scandal

BY ANNE M. PETERSON  
AP SOCCER WRITER

MARSEILLE, France — Coach Emma Hayes tempered expectations as the United States cruised to a 4-1 win over Germany on Sunday night for a spot in the quarterfinals at the Paris Olympics.

Sophia Smith had a pair of goals for the Americans, who have won their opening two matches in France. Mallory Swanson and Lynn Williams also scored against Germany.

“We haven’t done anything, let’s be frank,” Hayes said. “We’ve got three points against a really good German team. That’s is all it is, nothing more.”

The Americans are playing their first major tournament under Hayes, who took over the U.S. team in late May.

Hayes is tasked with leading the Americans as they seek to distance themselves from the disappointment of last summer’s Women’s World Cup, when they crashed out in the round of 16.

The United States is the winningest team in the Olympics, with four gold medals. The Americans



United States’ Rose Lavelle celebrates after teammate Mallory Swanson scored their side’s second goal, during the women’s Group B soccer match between the United States and Germany at the Velodrome stadium, during the 2024 Summer Olympics on Sunday in Marseille, France.

won the bronze medal at the Tokyo Games under former coach Vlatko Andonovski, who resigned following the World Cup.

Smith started for the United States after leaving the opener in the first half with what appeared to be an ankle injury.

Ten minutes into the match, Smith struck a cross from Trinity Rodman that sailed past Ger-

man goalkeeper Katrin-Ann Berger.

Giulia Gwinn equalized in the 22nd minute with a low, bouncing shot from well outside the penalty area that eluded diving U.S. goalkeeper Alyssa Naeher.

Swanson put the United States back in front in the 26th. Berger punched out an attempt from distance by Smith, but Swanson picked up the rebound for

a goal. It was Swanson’s third goal of the Olympics.

Swanson is the second player to score three goals in the group at an Olympics, joining Abby Wambach in 2012.

Smith scored her second in the 44th minute on a high-arching shot that hit the far post and caromed into the goal.

“Anytime I’m in a position to get a touch, shift

and shoot. I’m doing to take it,” Smith said.

Williams, a substitute, added the final goal in the 89th minute and fans in Marseille chanted “USA! USA!” as time ran down.

U.S. defender Tierna Davidson left the match with an injury and was replaced by Emily Sonnett.

Alexandra Popp left in the 76th minute with what appeared to be a right leg injury. It was a blow

to Germany, which was already playing without midfielder Lena Oberdorf (knee).

The United States plays Australia in Marseille on Wednesday to conclude group play. Germany, which defeated Australia in its Olympic opener 3-0, plays Zambia in Saint-Etienne.

### CANADA 2, FRANCE 1

Vanessa Gilles scored in the 12th minute of stoppage time against France to keep alive Canada’s hopes of advancing.

Canada looked to be heading out of the tournament before its final Group A match when the game was tied 1-1 in Saint-Etienne.

A six-point deduction for the drone-spying scandal meant only a win would be enough to give the defending Olympic champion any chance of advancing.

Gilles converted via the post from close range to seal the comeback win after Jordyn Huitema’s shot was saved.

Marie-Antoinette Katoto had put France ahead in the 42nd and Jessie Fleming evened the match in the 58th to give the Canadians hope.

The win still leaves Canada on zero points despite back-to-back wins because of the sanctions by FIFA.

Canada was looking into an appeal to the Court of Arbitration for Sport over the ruling.

# Kiefer earns 2nd Olympic gold in women’s foil over American teammate Scruggs

BY JAMES ELLINGWORTH  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

PARIS — Lee Kiefer won back-to-back gold medals in foil fencing and her teammate Lauren Scruggs took the silver Sunday to make history as the first Black fencer to win an Olympic medal in an individual women’s event for the United States.

Kiefer won 15-6 in the final against Scruggs and celebrated by pirouetting down the piste in joy. Knowing the U.S. anthem would play after the final no matter what “took the pressure off,” Kiefer said.

The vocal crowd in the cavernous Grand Palais was a huge contrast to the hushed, empty venue in Chiba, Japan, where Kiefer won her first Olympic gold three years ago under pandemic restrictions.

Kiefer dedicated her win to Buckie Leach, who coached her to gold in Tokyo but died 20 days later in a motorcycle accident. “He would be so happy for me,” she said. “This one’s for him. I even have a picture of him on my wall in the village.”

Kiefer’s gold medal is the fifth in an individual event for a U.S. fencer. She follows Mariel Zagunis in 2004 and 2008 as the only Ameri-

can fencers to win gold in the same event twice.

“Mariel, who did it before me, she has been supporting me and being a really important person to keep me feeling important and seen and empowered these past years, so I really want to thank her for being that person,” Kiefer said.

There hadn’t been an all-U.S. final in an Olympic fencing event since 2008, when Zagunis beat Sada Jacobson in saber as part of an American podium sweep. Before that, the last time it happened was in 1904.

“I’m definitely more happy than disappointed,” Scruggs said. “I think that it was shocking for me to be here in the first place, so I don’t even think I’ve had time to process losing, if I’m being honest. Just shocking and just super grateful.”

It continues a rapid rise to the top of world fencing for Scruggs, a 21-year-old Harvard student from Queens, New York.

“Maybe two years ago, I really thought I could make the team, until last year, I made my first senior team,” she said. “So to come out here and medal is just insane.”

Scruggs said she wants to inspire

young Black fencers and show “that they have a place in the sport.”

Kiefer is part of a decorated Olympic power couple.

Kiefer’s husband, Gerek Meinhardt, is a two-time Olympic bronze medalist in men’s foil who will compete in two events in Paris. Kiefer and Meinhardt are medical students at the University of Kentucky who have taken leave from their studies to pursue their Olympic dreams.

Asked about her future, Kiefer reeled off her and Meinhardt’s remaining events in Paris. “That’s as far as we’re thinking for now,” she said.

Eleanor Harvey became the first Canadian ever to win an Olympic fencing medal when she beat Alice Volpi of Italy 15-12 for the bronze.

Also Sunday, Japan’s Koki Kano beat France’s Yannick Borel 15-9 for the men’s epee gold medal. It was Japan’s first gold in an individual Olympic fencing event.

The vocal home crowd had to settle for silver for the second day in a row after Auriane Mallo-Breton lost in the women’s epee final Saturday.

Mohamed Elsayed won the bronze for Egypt 8-7 in overtime against Hungary’s Tibor Andrasfi.

## CUP

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APBA Gold Cup on San Diego’s Mission Bay Sept. 13-15.KENNEWICK, Wash. — Andrew Tate made his move one lap too late and Corey Peabody held on to the win a crash-marred Apollo Columbia Cup in the Tri-Cities on Sunday.

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# American swimmer Huske edges teammate Walsh by .04 in fly

BY JANIE MCCAULEY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NANTERRE, France — Torri Huske touched the wall and turned to teammate Gretchen Walsh knowing they each had won an Olympic medal. Both Americans quickly spun their heads around to see the scoreboard to find out who had captured gold.

Huske had her elusive Olympic title, by just .04 seconds over Walsh in the women’s 100-meter butterfly on Sunday night. She edged the world-record holder swimming to her right, coming from behind in a fantastic finish.

Walsh led at the 50-meter mark and was under her world-record pace, with Huske in third.

Huske caught Walsh, something she couldn’t do at the Olympic trials last month, touching the wall in 55.59 seconds, just ahead of Walsh’s 55.63.

“You never really know for sure and I first saw the light by the block and seeing that it was just very surreal, I didn’t even know how to process it,” Huske said. “It’s just very overwhelming when you’ve been dreaming of this moment for so long.”

Huske lifted her goggles from her eyes and covered her mouth with her left hand as Walsh reached over the lane line with a congratulatory pat on the cap.

Zhang Yufei won bronze, her second of the Games after her Chinese team finished third in the 4x100-meter freestyle relay Saturday. Zhang was among the 23 swimmers

from China who tested positive for a banned heart medication ahead of the Tokyo Games three years ago but were allowed to compete.

This has been a long time coming for Huske, a Stanford swimmer who has been working on improving her final 50 meters following some disappointing results. She just missed a medal at the Tokyo Olympics, placing fourth with a 55.73.

It has been a great start for Huske in Paris. She earned a silver in the 4x100-meter freestyle relay Saturday. On Sunday, her final followed French star Leon Marchand’s commanding 400 individual medley victory, which ignited the home crowd at La Defense Arena.

“Honestly I don’t remember my race that much. My first 50 felt really good and then I’ve been working on my second 50 a lot, especially after last year,” Huske said. “I had kind of a weak finish and I kind of died in my race. And last Olympics, also, I lost it all in the last 50.”

In the medal ceremony, Huske pulled Walsh from the second step and the two 21-year-olds from Virginia stood together atop the podium as the national anthem played. They then grabbed an American flag and draped it around themselves for a victory lap around the pool.

A night earlier in the semifinals, Walsh set an Olympic record of 55.38, just shy of her 55.18 world record on June 14.

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# Rays score twice in the 8th for 2-1 victory over the Reds

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — The Tampa Bay Rays took advantage of the Cincinnati Reds bullpen to score twice in the eighth inning for a come-from-behind 2-1 win Sunday.

The Rays loaded the bases with two outs against the Reds. With one out, Reds reliever Fernando Cruz walked Yandy Diaz, Brandon Lowe reached on an infield single and Isaac Paredes walked.

Cruz struck out Amed Rosario, but catcher Austin Wynns could not handle the pitch and pinch runner Jose Caballero scored to tie the game. Lucas Sims came in to replace Cruz and walked Richie Palacios to score Lowe and give the Rays the 2-1 lead.

Garrett Cleavinger (7-2) pitched a scoreless eighth inning and Pete Fairbanks earned his 20th save of the season.

Reds starter Hunter Greene gave up just two hits in seven scoreless innings. He had a no-hitter through 5 2/3 innings before Lowe hit a single to right field. Greene struck out five, walked one and hit two batters.

Reds shortstop Elly De La Cruz had three hits and four stolen bases, giving him 55 this



Steve Nesius/AP

Tampa Bay Rays catcher Ben Rortvedt (30) tags out Cincinnati Reds' Santiago Espinal trying to score from third base on a run-down during the second inning of the Reds 2-1 loss Sunday in St. Petersburg, Fla.

season. He also reached base on an error in the eighth inning and made a spectacular sliding catch in short left field to rob Rays shortstop Taylor Walls of a hit in the sixth inning.

### REDS 3, RAYS 2

Stuart Fairchild delivered

Cincinnati's first hit since the fourth-inning, a one-out double that snapped a 10th-inning tie and gave the Reds a 3-2 victory over the Tampa Bay Rays on Friday night.

Jeimer Candelario drove in Cincinnati's other runs with a first-inning double. Nick Mar-

tinez (4-5) worked two scoreless innings, and closer Alexis Diaz earned his 20th save in 22 chances for the Reds, who have won three in a row after losing three straight coming out of the All-Star break.

The Reds managed just two hits off Shane Baz — Can-

delario's two-run double in the first inning and Tyler Stephenson's single in the fourth. Fairchild doubled down the left field line against Manuel Rodriguez (1-2) to put Cincinnati ahead for good.

### RAYS 4, REDS 0

Alex Jackson and Yandy Diaz hit consecutive home runs in a three-run fifth inning to back Zack Littell, and the Tampa Bay Rays beat Cincinnati 4-0 on Saturday to stop the Reds' three-game winning streak.

Jackson, who was 10 for 100 this season going into the plate appearance, hit a 407-foot homer to left on an 0-1 sweep-er from Andrew Abbott (9-7) at the bottom of the strike zone, his third home run this season.

Diaz drove an 0-2 fastball to right-center for his ninth home run. Diaz returned Friday after missing seven games for personal reasons and went 1 for 5 with a single.

Amed Rosario and Brandon Lowe followed with consecutive doubles that chased Abbott, who gave up four runs and eight hits in four-plus innings.

# Higgins tagged for one more shot at Super Bowl with Bengals

BY MITCH STACY  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CINCINNATI — If Tee Higgins does have just one more season with the Cincinnati Bengals, he wants to make the most of it.

The 25-year-old receiver said he thought it better to sign his franchise tender, play well for all to see and try one more time to win a Super Bowl with the team that drafted him in 2020.

“You know, we’ve been close the past few years, and I just feel like I’m a piece of the puzzle that can help us get there,” Higgins said. “I want to win one with my guys I came in with, and that’s what I’m looking forward to doing.”

Unable to reach a long-term deal with the Ben-

gals, Higgins ended up with the franchise tag, which keeps him in Cincinnati for the season before he’s eligible for free agency. He’ll make \$21.8 million, the designated franchise salary for receivers — more than twice what he made in his first four seasons in the league put together.

“There was a lot of talk back and forth with my agent, what I wanted to do,” Higgins said this week. “Obviously, the Bengals weren’t making any moves other than tagging me.

“But it was just like, I grew up with nothing. At the end of the day, \$21.8 (million), that’s life-changing money, you know



Associated Press file

CINCINNATI BENGALS WIDE RECEIVER TEE HIGGINS

what I’m saying?” Higgins said. “I could live with that for the rest of my life if I wanted to, but obviously I wanted more, and it didn’t happen. I made the decision (to) sign and be here with my guys.”

Higgins, in his fifth season, was an odd man out when it came to scoring a rich second contract with Cincinnati.

The Bengals made quarterback Joe Burrow the highest paid player in the

NFL with a five-year, \$275 million deal before last season. They’ll almost certainly give No. 1 receiver Ja’Marr Chase a new deal in the neighborhood of Justin Jefferson’s four-year, \$140-million pact with the Minnesota Vikings.

The Bengals aren’t prepared to splash out on anybody else.

“It just didn’t come together,” said Duke Tobin, Cincinnati’s director of player personnel. “I don’t fault anybody on that. It’s got to work for us, and it has to work for them and sometimes that collides with each other and sometimes it misses. And we accept that, and he accepts that. I think his best chance for a great sea-

son is with the Cincinnati Bengals, and we’re happy he’s going to be here.”

A second-round draft pick in 2020 — Burrow was the top overall pick in that draft — Higgins has 257 catches for 3,684 yards and 24 touchdowns, including back-to-back 1,000-yard seasons in 2021 and ‘22. He was key part of the Bengals drive to the Super Bowl after the 2021 season.

He finished with 656 yards and five TDs last season while struggling with a rib injury.

“I think he’s going about it the right way,” Burrow said. “His business is his business, but I know that he’s a football player at heart.”

# Colts owner Irsay makes 1st trip to training camp since his December fall

BY MICHAEL MAROT  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WESTFIELD — Indianapolis Colts owner Jim Irsay returned to the sideline Sunday, making his first public appearance since being injured in a fall at his home in early December.

The 65-year-old owner told reporters he’s continuing to rehabilitate from two subsequent surgeries. He remained seated in his golf cart during Indy’s third training camp practice and is expected to be seated in a wheelchair when one of his former players, Dwight Freeney, is inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame next weekend in Canton, Ohio.

“It’s great to see you guys, the fans and to be out here,” Irsay said. “I’m feeling great, you know, just trying to get this left leg stronger, which it will be. It’s great to be out here and I’m so excited for the season and really excited for the Hall of Fame as well as for Dwight.”

Irsay has battled health issues in recent years, including a respiratory illness in January, following his fall.

Police officers from Carmel, Indiana, a northern suburb of Indy, responded to a 911 call from Irsay’s home Dec. 8. According to the police report, the offi-

cers found Irsay breathing but unresponsive and with a bluish skin tone.

Longtime team executive Pete Ward, the report said, told officers he was worried Irsay was suffering from congestive heart failure and that Irsay’s nurse had said Irsay’s oxygen level was low, his breathing was labored and he was “mostly” unconscious.

Irsay has undergone two subsequent surgeries — one to relieve numbness in his left leg and weakness in his left quad caused by a nerve issue in his back, the other for a hematoma.

As a result, Irsay, who usually addresses his team in the locker room following games, had not been seen publicly — until Sunday.

“It’s awesome,” former Colts player and assistant coach Cato June said. “I mean it’s been a while. It’s been a while. But it’s always a blessing to see somebody in good spirits.”

Even as Irsay faces his own hurdles in making a full recovery, he’s also hopeful the Colts can make a comeback on the field this season, too.

They have not been to the playoffs since the 2020 season, have not won an opening day game since 2013 and are hoping Anthony Richardson

becomes the first quarterback to start consecutive season openers for Indianapolis since Andrew Luck in 2015 and 2016.

Injuries limited Richardson to four starts and forced him to leave three of those games early last season. He had season-ending surgery on his throwing shoulder in October and much of the discussion this offseason has been about Richardson finding ways to protect himself from getting hurt.

On Sunday, fans cheered when Richardson was running on a play and the roars grew louder when he ran out of bounds.

Irsay, though, doesn’t want his star player playing it safe.

“That tackle that happened could happen at any time,” Irsay said, referring to the play that ended Richardson’s rookie season. “I think he has to seize the opportunity to use his feet when he can and protect himself as well. He knows that but at the same time, we drafted him because we know he is dangerous (with his feet) and he can pick up yards at critical times. I think his style is great.”

If all goes well for Irsay, he could soon be throwing footballs to the fans. At least, that’s the hope for Irsay.

# 2020 QB class cashes in with \$1.2B in contract extensions

BY JOSH DUBOW  
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The 2020 quarterback draft class is well on its way to being the highest-paid group of QBs from any draft in NFL history. The quintet of quarterbacks taken in the top two rounds four years ago also has a chance at being the most prolific.

With Tua Tagovailoa and Jordan Love being the final two quarterbacks to cash in on big-money extensions just hours apart on Friday, the five QBs taken in the first two rounds four years ago have agreed to contracts in a span of less than 16 months that are worth more than \$1.2 billion.

No. 1 pick Joe Burrow signed the richest one last summer when Cincinnati gave him a five-year, \$275 million deal that included a \$40 million signing bonus. That deal topped the one from earlier last summer when the Los Angeles Chargers gave No. 6 pick Justin Herbert a five-year \$262.5 million deal.

Second-rounder Jalen Hurts, who was picked 53rd overall in 2020, was the first from the class to get rewarded when he got a five-year \$255 million extension in April — less than three months after leading Philadelphia to a Super Bowl appearance.

Tagovailoa, the fifth pick four years ago, and Love, the 20th selection, finished it off on Friday. Miami gave Tagovailoa a four-year, \$212.4 million deal and the Packers gave Love a four-year, \$220 million deal after making just 18 career regular-season starts.

The QBs from that class now have five of the 12 richest contracts handed out in NFL history and should be in position to cash in again if they keep playing at the high level they have achieved so far in their young careers.

The performance of these QBs stands in stark contrast to the quintet of quarterbacks taken with the top 15 picks the following season. Four of those quarterbacks were jettisoned by their original teams before finishing out their rookie deals with No. 1 overall pick Trevor Lawrence the only one to get a big extension with a five-year \$275 million contract from Jacksonville earlier this offseason.

While the quarterbacks from the 2020 class have yet to win a Super Bowl, an MVP or earn first-team All-Pro honors, they have all performed at a high level as part of the rare quarterback draft class with a perfect hit rate in the top two rounds.

Despite Love not getting

a chance to start until last season, and Burrow and Tagovailoa missing significant time because of injuries, the group has been the most prolific statistically through four seasons of any class of QBs taken in the top two rounds.

They have combined for 60,474 yards passing through four seasons — more than 6,000 more than the famed 1983 class that featured Hall of Famers John Elway, Jim Kelly and Dan Marino — and 394 touchdown passes for the most as well.

Only the 2011 class led by Cam Newton made more starts through four years with 250 to the 234 for the group from 2020, and the 134 wins are six shy of the 1983 group for the most through four seasons.

All five QBs have led their teams to the playoffs with Burrow taking the Bengals to the Super Bowl following the 2021 season and Hurts doing the same with the Eagles the following season.

Herbert and Tagovailoa lost in their only playoff starts, with the Chargers blowing a 27-0 lead in a 2022 wild-card loss at Jacksonville and the Dolphins losing 26-7 in the bitter cold at Kansas City this past season.

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# Edwards becomes second Marlins player to hit for cycle

BY STEVE MEGARGEE  
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MILWAUKEE — The Miami Marlins waited three decades before having a player hit for the cycle in a game.

Now they’ve had cycles in back-to-back seasons.

Xavier Edwards became the second Marlins player ever to hit for the cycle Sunday, as the rookie went 4 for 4 and hit his first career homer in a 6-2 loss to the Milwaukee Brewers. He also scored both of Miami’s runs.

The Marlins had their inaugural season in 1993, but they’d never had anyone hit for the cycle until Luis Arráez accomplished the feat while going 4 of 5 with two runs and a pair of RBIs in an 8-4 victory over the Philadelphia Phillies on April 11, 2023.

“Really cool,” Edwards said. “Luis’s the first and we were teammates for about a month-and-a-half last year. He’s a great guy, great hitter and great teammate. Really cool to kind of follow in his footsteps and get the second one. Definitely very excited and very grateful for it.”

Edwards homered

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—Xavier Edwards

off Tobias Myers on the opening pitch of the game, drew a leadoff walk from Myers in the third, doubled against Jakob Junis in the fifth and tripled off Joel Payamps in the seventh. The triple also was the first of his career.

The homer came on Edwards’ 185th career plate appearance. Myers noted after the game that he and Edwards were former teammates in the Tampa Bay Rays’ farm system.

“He’s a good hitter,” Myers said. “He’s always been that way. He’s always been able to put the ball in play and make things happen.”

By the time Edwards stepped to the plate for the final time with two outs in the ninth inning, he was well aware how close he was to a milestone. But he also had to face Devin Williams, a two-time NL reliever of the year.

“I hate to say it, but I’d been thinking about it for the last two innings or so leading up to my last at-bat,” Edwards said. “I was like, ‘All right, I think I’ve got a single left.’ For whatever reason, I was thinking in my head two-strike hit. I don’t know why. Probably not that great a thought process.”

Sure enough, Edwards hit a grounder to the left side on a 1-2 changeup, sprinted down the line and

reached first just ahead of the throw from shortstop Willy Adames.

“I would have been pretty upset with myself if I didn’t hit a single,” Edwards said. “I usually spray a lot of singles, so I would have been pretty upset about not getting a single. So I’m really glad I did.”

Edwards was the eighth player ever to hit for the cycle during the same game in which he hit his first career homer,

according to Elias Sports Bureau. The last person to do that was San Francisco’s Fred Lewis in 2007.

This has been an eventful year for Edwards, who missed the start of the season with a foot infection but has come on strong lately. Edwards, who turns 25 on Aug. 9, is batting .379 with a .462 on-base percentage in 25 games.

“He’s hitting the ball the other way, he’s walking, hitting it with power,” Marlins manager Skip Schumaker said. “His at-bats are super calm at the plate. There’s not much swing-and-miss. He’s never off balance. He puts it in play. You like him in leverage spots. He’s been outstanding.

I’ve said it before: I knew he was going to be pretty good at the plate. I didn’t know he was going to be this good at the plate.”

Even so, Edwards seemed an unlikely candidate to hit for the cycle because he hadn’t hit a homer before Sunday. Only 10 of his 56 career hits have gone for extra bases.

He managed to leave Milwaukee with a couple of souvenir baseballs — one for his first career homer and one for completing the cycle. Edwards had a good idea where he planned to send them.

“Once we’re back home, I’ll probably give them to my mom,” Edwards said. “She’ll take good care of them and put them somewhere safe.”

## Struggling Yankees acquire Chisholm from Marlins

BY KEN POWTAK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON — Looking to spark a struggling club, the New York Yankees acquired Jazz Chisholm Jr. from the Miami Marlins on Saturday for three minor leaguers: catcher Agustín Ramírez, infielder Jared Serna and infielder Abraham Ramírez.

New York entered Saturday 10-23 after a 50-22 start, plagued by sputtering starting pitching, a shaky bullpen and an offense overly reliant on Aaron Judge and Juan Soto following injuries to Giancarlo Stanton and Anthony Rizzo. Third baseman DJ LeMahieu and left fielder Alex Verdugo have been in deep slumps.

An All-Star second baseman in 2022, the 26-year-old Chisholm has played center field for most of the past two seasons.

“Excited,” Judge said after the Yankees rallied for an 11-8, 10-inning win over the Red Sox. “He’s a dynamic player, definitely you can throw him up there in the leadoff spot or wherever, he’s going to definitely lengthen this lineup. ... He’s a weapon. You can put him in the outfield. You can put anywhere on the infield. He’s got speed. He’s got power.”

He is batting .249 with 13 homers and 50 RBIs this year and is a .246 career hitter with 66 homers and 205 RBIs in five seasons. Chisholm has 22 stolen bases, matching last year’s total and one shy of his career high.

“Very talented, athletic, speed, power, you know, seems like versatility, you know, can play a lot of different places,” Yankees manager Aaron Boone said. “I’ve only seen him from afar, obviously, but obviously a very talented young player.”

Chisholm has a \$2,625,000 salary after losing to the Marlins in arbitration. He is eligible for arbitration again after the 2024 and 2025 seasons and can become a free agent after the 2026 World Series.

“It’s always tough to lose a dynamic player like Jazz,” Marlins manager Skip Schumaker said. “He was willing to move off positions. He was willing to move up and down the lineup. He got better when you asked him to get better in different positions or against left-handed pitch-

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—Aaron Boone  
Yankees manager

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LeMahieu, a two-time batting champion, didn’t make his season debut until May 28 after breaking his right foot when he fouled off a pitch during a spring training game this past March 16. A three-time All-Star, he is hitting .178 with one homer, 12 RBIs in 135 at-bats, and he has just two hits in his last 28 at-bats.

LeMahieu’s .495 OPS ranked 383rd among 392 players with 100 or more plate appearances entering Saturday and his 59.1% ground ball rate was seventh. LeMahieu struggled following a broken sesamoid bone in his right big toe that led to ligament damage in his second toe in 2022. He hit .220 in the first half last year but .273 in the second.

He has two full seasons remaining in a \$90 million, six-year contract that pays \$15 million annually.

Verdugo entered Saturday batting .160 (20 for 125) with one homer and seven RBIs from June 15 on, dropping his season average from .266 to .231.

In addition, rookie first baseman Ben Rice was 4 for 50 after hitting three homers in a July 7 victory over the Red Sox.

Agustín Ramírez, 22, hit .269 with 20 homers and 69 RBIs this year at Double-A and Triple-A.

Serna, also 22, batted .253 with 13 homers and 58 RBIs with High A Hudson Valley.

Abraham Ramírez, 19, hit .348 with a pair of homers and 24 RBIs for the Florida Complex League Yankees.

“I don’t know where he’s going to hit, but he’s going to hit around Soto and Judge, which is pretty incredible,” Schumaker said. “So, it makes them better and I’m happy for him.”

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Person's individuality
- 5 Polka \_\_\_\_
- 9 Sandbar
- 14 Where to find Bangkok and Beijing
- 15 Sneaker brand
- 16 Uneasy
- 17 Practice boxing
- 18 Lease
- 19 Spice jar holders
- 20 Balanced proportions
- 22 Most recent
- 23 Owns
- 24 Fully fill
- 25 Unit of gem weight
- 28 \_\_\_\_ and the Supremes: 2 wds.
- 33 Biblical garden
- 34 Holy city in Islam
- 35 "Amazing!"
- 36 Ear-splitting
- 37 Early video game company
- 38 Sneaker brand
- 39 Vinyl records: Abbr.
- 40 Stories
- 41 Jealous feeling
- 42 Blended family member
- 45 Wise people
- 46 Agitate
- 47 Truck fuel
- 48 Threaded fasteners
- 51 Items not usually on the menu
- 56 Brief break
- 57 "Spartacus," e.g.
- 58 Ill-behaved kid
- 59 Deep yellow
- 60 Part of a chain
- 61 Part of a script
- 62 Rats' homes
- 63 Go \_\_\_\_ hiding
- 64 Dutch cheese
- DOWN**
- 1 Impertinence

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- 3 Actor Hemsworth
- 4 Agricultural worker
- 5 Pub game
- 6 "I'm so \_\_\_\_ it"
- 7 Itsy-bitsy
- 8 Took a bench
- 9 Rock layers
- 10 Warming appliance
- 11 A single time
- 12 Makes a request
- 13 "\_\_\_\_ we forget"
- 21 Have a meal
- 22 Hawaiian porches
- 24 Hallowed
- 25 Basic units of biology
- 26 Take in
- 27 Find another purpose for
- 28 Attention to \_\_\_\_
- 29 "Show me your cards": 2 wds.
- 30 In debt
- 31 Figure out

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- 32 Moves from side to side
- 34 Singer Johnny
- 38 Doable
- 43 Car radio button
- 44 Cringes in fear
- 45 \_\_\_\_ fly
- 47 Geico mascot
- 48 Go across
- 49 Showed up
- 50 BBQ blends
- 51 Twirl
- 52 Half a quart
- 53 Very, very dry
- 54 Actress Turner
- 55 Goblet part
- 57 Horror director

Today's Puzzle Solved

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Enormous
- 5 Identical
- 9 Mess hall meal
- 13 Choral part
- 14 Cut into dice
- 15 Home for bees
- 16 Actor Neeson
- 17 Opinion pieces
- 18 Looked over
- 19 Caracas's land
- 21 Mechanical watch parts
- 22 Come to a close
- 23 Month after March: Abbr.
- 24 Falsehoods
- 26 Toothpaste brand
- 28 Had to have
- 32 Warm winter drink
- 35 Gently throw
- 37 Polynesian dance
- 38 Stratford-upon-Avon
- 39 "That's \_\_\_\_ from me": 2 wds.
- 40 Not hard
- 41 Untidy state
- 42 Not looking good
- 43 Very strong winds
- 44 All-inclusive
- 46 Formally gave up
- 48 Information for analysis
- 50 Number of years in a decade
- 51 That lady
- 54 Frequently
- 57 Earthquake hot spot
- 60 Entranceway
- 61 Advertisement, for short
- 62 Come by honestly
- 63 "I \_\_\_\_ you to do it!"
- 64 Fuel-carrying ship
- 65 Gets older
- 66 Lost traction
- 67 Shirts worn with jeans
- 68 Take a nap, e.g.
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- 1 Part of a trumpet
- 2 Foreign

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- 3 Get to your feet
- 4 Thick book
- 5 Big-name celebrity
- 6 Cain and \_\_\_\_
- 7 Olympic prize
- 8 Newspaper workers: Abbr.
- 9 Packers fan's nickname
- 10 Casual hello
- 11 Finished
- 12 Gets married
- 14 Two-door car
- 20 Spanish fashion brand
- 21 "Golly!"
- 25 \_\_\_\_ and outs
- 26 Weighed the merits of
- 27 Gin and \_\_\_\_
- 29 Having two uses
- 30 Otherwise
- 31 Parts of weeks
- 32 Arrived
- 33 Kitchen appliance
- 34 Price

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- 36 Now and then
- 42 \_\_\_\_ your hands on
- 43 Unit of heredity
- 45 Sought political office
- 47 Design scheme
- 49 Eagle's nest
- 51 Play venue
- 52 "\_\_\_\_ to you!"
- 53 Physicist Mach
- 54 \_\_\_\_ and ends
- 55 Baby horse
- 56 Singer Amos or actress Spelling
- 58 Warsaw native
- 59 Close by
- 61 Stew-making vessel

Cousin brings friend to every family event

Dear Eric: Throughout my childhood, my cousin always had to have her friend join family events. Fast-forward 40 years, and my cousin has moved back home after widowhood. Guess who's back at everything?

The friend is a lovely person. I have no issue with her. It's just that sometimes we want it to be only family. How do I broach this?

— Perplexed Cousin

Dear Cousin: Where I'm from, people used to talk about having "play cousins" — people who weren't really related to you but with whom you were often expected to hang out because your parents were friends or what have you. I think you have a play cousin.

And your blood relative, your actual cousin, may see her friend as part of the family. She may care about her as if they were related.

Ask your cousin in a nonjudgmental way to tell you about the friendship. Ask her if the friend feels more like family. Depending on what your cousin says, you may just need to set another place at the table.

Dear Eric: I am a 65-year-old widow with two adult sons in their late 20s. I try not to be needy and give them space, but I'm lonely, and I'm sad they don't call me more often. I think they're just living their lives and not thinking about me, which I



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probably did to my parents when I was their age. Am I expecting too much?

When I do talk to them, there's no conflicts or problems that would discourage them from reaching out again. Would I be wrong to tell them I'm lonely and would like to hear from them more often? For the record, I am trying to expand my social circle and do things I'm interested in, but I'm growing tired of doing things alone, and it takes a long time to make new close friends. I also can't help but think if I'd had a girl, it would be different.

— Lonely Mom

Dear Mom: Please tell your sons how you feel! Healthy communication can be such a gift. Please tell them what they can do to help you. That's a gift, too. They may have busy lives, but you're a part of those lives as well.

Sometimes, in relationships, it's hard to carry the burden of advocating for ourselves. But I believe that your sons would be saddened to find out that you had this ache and didn't ask for help. Try setting up a regular phone date with each of them, it will give you all something to look forward to. Plus, knowing that you'll be chatting — and wanting to have something to chat about — might also give you an extra boost in your effort to find things that interest you.

Employee wants vindication from bully boss

Dear Eric: I worked in an office where I was bullied and harassed by a known predator who targeted me for attacks.

This employer handled the situation like all enablers of abusers — deny, blame, ignore and marginalize the victim.

I found a new job and worked at this company for five years. My boss wrote the last of my always-positive reviews.

At the conclusion of this evaluation, he stated that I'm "not just a great employee but also a great person" who is always reliable, treats everyone with respect, sets an example of excellence and who made his job as my supervisor a joy. I'd like to send a copy of this review to my previous employer, where I was bullied, to let them know that I was not the problem — they were.

— Getting the Last Word

Dear Last Word: Sometimes, a little petty can be a lot of fun, but bullies and abusers have a way of wheedling their way back into our consciousness, and that can turn a petty party into torture. You want your previous employer to acknowledge the terrible way he treated you and the value that you have as a person and as an employee. He's not going to do that, and it



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will taint the joy that your evaluation gives you. You escaped this toxic work environment. Don't buy a return ticket, even for a victory lap. Frame your evaluation as a reminder that you had the ability and strength to write a new chapter.

Dear Eric: I have been married to my husband for 27 years. Now that we are seniors, he has the means and time to take up a lifelong dream of flying a small sport plane. He is taking lessons weekly and loves it. Great, you say? Not for me. I lost my first husband to a small-plane crash that killed him and two of my best friends.

Knowing my history, I can't understand why my current husband would take up flying lessons. Am I being unreasonable?

— Earthbound Wife

Dear Wife: You aren't being unreasonable. Your husband doesn't realize that he's not up against airplane safety facts and stats. He's up against decades-old grief.

Ask him to go with you to a few sessions of marriage counseling to have a mediated conversation about the way this hobby is affecting both of you. The goal is not to get him to come down or to get you to come around, but for you to be able to meet in the middle.

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**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — Though they may say "all's fair," it is seldom so — actions have consequences. Professional matters may now resemble an arena where fairness is paramount. Find a balance between going with the familiar and the unknown.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — Your perspective may reveal a world of limitless potential where others may perceive only daunting obstacles. Despite your passions, consider respecting the boundaries of loved ones and avoid overstepping in pursuit of personal goals.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — You may be tempted to intervene and rescue someone from the aftermath of their decisions, yet it could be your own tumultuous feelings that require guidance. Consider seeking a reliable sounding board to help sort out your feelings.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Maintain high standards for peace of mind. You might see loopholes where you could possibly make a few extra dollars or gain the upper hand, but just remember that each transaction should be a win-win for everyone involved.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Aim for excellence. Meticulously weigh the advantages and drawbacks before launching a new venture. You may use your sharp insights into profitability and progress to devise a plan to achieve your most cherished initiatives.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — It may be better to express yourself clearly, in the best possible way, than to get caught up in an argument. By concentrating on your own agenda, and avoiding emotional digressions, you could ensure a seamless progression of events.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Intense emotions

could emerge, as if they're rising from the depths of the ocean, signaling there are additional matters to address. You could find yourself almost equally split between wanting to let it all go and the desire to take control.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — You may hold off on making investments or major purchases to avoid being unhappy with the final results. If an opportunity is fumbled, it may become your duty to salvage anything that could be used towards something new.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Navigate through the labyrinth and discover a viable escape from the confines that have surrounded you. Remember to check your voicemail or inbox to avoid overlooking a lucrative offer. Aim for balance and equilibrium.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — You may have been warned never to take candy from strangers but be careful not to throw opportunities and advantages for professional growth into the dumpster. Consider attending to essential duties and tasks with due diligence.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — Accept your place and honor your promises. Remember, sentimental excuses don't stand a chance when it comes to facing up to responsibility. The detachment you sense may be merely due to a lack of passion in your current routine.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — Stay vigilant about careful resource management. Time may become a daunting opponent if not managed wisely, so it's essential to prioritize tasks. Address new responsibilities promptly to prevent them from overwhelming you.

ASTROLOGY

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** — When you find yourself pulled in different directions, it's often safest to remain neutral. You may feel pressured to justify your actions, but it may not always be advantageous to do so. It could be best to avoid disputes when possible.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** — It might be beneficial to steer clear of delving into someone's private affairs or imposing your viewpoints or emotions onto others. Seek new strategies to strike a better balance between healthy self-expression and frustration.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** — Concentrate on wielding wisdom and fearlessly defending fair play. Just because someone else chooses to argue over values or rules doesn't mean you must take the opposing view. Stay true to your principles and be cool under pressure.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** — Dreams can come true. Envision your goals and work quietly behind the scenes to attain them. Remember to respect others and their viewpoints, but don't let your differences stifle conversations. Find those who share your wavelength.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** — Transform the atmosphere by acting as an advocate for harmony. Consider taking a step back to focus on the fundamental commonalities that may lie beneath apparent differences. You and your perceived opponent might share a mutual goal.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** — A relationship begun now may potentially be successful in a practical way, but true commitment and romantic togetherness could be lacking. You may achieve your hopes and dreams by sticking to the most sensible and intelligent path.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)** — Check the walls and limitations you may have put on your heart. You might be so anxious to protect your own feelings that you have forgotten how to let loved ones in. Consider letting your vulnerabilities and real emotions show.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)** — Your opinion and voice matter but be careful that it's not doing more harm than good for your character. Think before you complain about things within your control. Trust your gut, especially when things seem a bit off with someone.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)** — Be prepared for the possibility that your confidence and freewheeling nature could be questioned by others. Take time to organize your environment and release any possessions that bring no joy and are simply taking up space.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** — Honoring the beliefs and rights of others may take you far in life. You may benefit from embracing the preferences and desires of those in positions of authority. Stay open as new insights might come from unexpected sources.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** — You can put your passions to work in positive ways but be sure to get plenty of rest. If you overdo it, you could become moody or upset. Watch out for a tendency to throw money at problems rather than addressing your mistakes head on.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** — An informal chat might be misinterpreted so consider taking a step back to reflect and process the part you played. Given the current climate, it may be wise to refrain from forcing your viewpoint on others or justifying your stance.



# Tagovailoa eager to help Dolphins end playoff drought

MIAMI GARDENS, Fla. — His new contract signed, Tua Tagovailoa acknowledged the heightened expectations tied to his value.

The Miami Dolphins’ fifth-year quarterback will no longer need to worry about his future with the club after he signed a four-year extension on Sunday. The deal will pay Tagovailoa an average of \$53.1 million per year beginning next season. He also received a \$42 million signing bonus.

“Now that all of this is done and this is behind us, we know that heavy is the crown,” Tagovailoa said. “Whoever is wearing that, right now, I’m the highest-paid employee in this office. I’ve to get my — whatever — together. I’ve got to get that right and moving the guys in the direction that we need to go.”

The deal ended months of negotiations and questions about whether the Dolphins would make a long-term investment in Tagovailoa.

After being the fifth overall selection in the 2020 draft, Tagovailoa has experienced peaks and valleys. As a result, Dolphins management took longer to entrust Tagovailoa with an extension than Cincinnati did with Joe Burrow or the Los Angeles Chargers with Justin Herbert. Those two QBs were picked along with Tagovailoa in the first round of the 2020 draft.

“There are just so many semantics and hoops that you have to go through to get something like that done, especially maneuvering other contracts around,” Tagovailoa said. “I’m happy that we got this thing done. It’s unbelievable.”

Dolphins fans were allowed to attend workouts for the first time in the 2024 training camp schedule on Sunday, and Tagovailoa greeted them with the catchphrase “Show me the money” from the 1996 movie “Jerry Maguire.”

“Somebody told me that I wouldn’t say it,” Tagovailoa said.

Tagovailoa overcame a difficult 2022 season, when a concussion sidelined him for four regular-season games and a playoff loss against Buffalo. He played in all 17 games last season and threw for 29 touchdowns and a league-best 4,624 yards.

“My perspective — happy but also expected it to get done,” Dolphins coach Mike McDaniels said. “And now that it’s done it’s about moving forward because maybe it’s a handshake and a smile but not a celebration. It’s a cool point for the organization to move forward and moving forward we are.”

McDaniels has been arguably Tagovailoa’s biggest supporter since he took over in 2022. With McDaniels devising schemes to suit Tagovailoa’s skills, the Dolphins averaged a league-best 401 yards per game last season.

“Word gets around quick and I don’t think he knows that I know. I’ve been told

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# Warner Bros. Discovery sues NBA for not accepting its matching offer

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Warner Bros. Discovery has sued the NBA after the league did not accept the company’s matching offer for one of the packages in its upcoming 11-year media rights deal.

The lawsuit was filed on Friday in New York state court in Manhattan.

WBD, the parent company of TNT Sports, is seeking a judgement that it matched Amazon Prime Video’s offer and an order seeking to delay the new media rights deal from taking effect beginning with the 2025-26 season.

The NBA signed its deals with Disney, NBCUniversal and Amazon Prime Video on Wednesday after saying it was not accepting Warner Bros. Discovery’s \$1.8 billion per year offer. The deals will bring the league around \$76 billion over 11 years.

“Given the NBA’s unjustified rejection of our matching of a third-party offer, we have taken legal action to enforce our rights,” TNT Sports

said in a statement. “We strongly believe this is not just our contractual right, but also in the best interest of fans who want to keep watching our industry-leading NBA content with the choice and flexibility we offer them through our widely distributed WBD video-first distribution platforms — including TNT and Max.”

NBA spokesman Mike Bass said in a statement that “Warner Bros. Discovery’s claims are without merit and our lawyers will address them.”

WBD says in the lawsuit that “TBS properly matched the Amazon Offer by agreeing to telecast the games on both TNT and Max. The Amazon Offer provides for Cable Rights, including TNT Rights, because the offer is for games that TBS currently has the right to distribute on TNT via Non-Broadcast Television, which includes both cable and Internet distribution.”

WBD also claims under its contract it “has the right to ‘Match a Third

Party Offer that provides for the exercise of (NBA games) via any form of combined audio and video distribution.’”

The lawsuit is another chapter in a deteriorating relationship between the league and Turner Sports that has gone on nearly 40 years. Turner has had an NBA package since 1984 and games have been on TNT since the network launched in 1988.

TNT’s iconic “Inside the NBA” show has won numerous Sports Emmy Awards and has been a model for studio shows.

However, the relationship started to become strained when Warner Bros. Discovery CEO David Zaslav said during an RBC Investor Conference in November 2022 that Turner and WBD “don’t have to have the NBA.”

Warner Bros. Discovery and the league were unable to reach a deal during the exclusive negotiating period, which expired in April. Zaslav

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**BY THE COURIER STAFF**

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There will be prizes for closest to the pin on Hole No. 2, longest drive on Hole No. 3, and special opportunities on Holes 6 and 8 as well as chances to buy split the pot tickets. Payout is \$200 plus donated prizes for first place, \$120 and prizes for second, and \$80 and prizes for third.

Registration is at 7:30 a.m. with play beginning at 8 a.m. on the day of scramble. For more info or to reserve a spot, call 812-273-0797 or email bob@bbbssi.org.

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For more information, contact coach Brady Wells at wellsb@hanover.edu.

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through six. Costs is \$30 per child, \$25 for a second child and \$20 for a third. The deadline is Aug. 23.

For more information, contact Scott Davidson at sdavidson@townofhanover.net, 812-806-1042 or 812-292-4282.

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*/s/ Tabatha Eblen*  
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# Garrett is the No. 1 defensive lineman in AP’s rankings

BY ROB MAADDI  
AP PRO FOOTBALL WRITER

Myles Garrett was nearly unstoppable last season.

His spectacular performance earned him several accolades and now he’s been voted the top defensive lineman in the league by The Associated Press.

A panel of eight AP Pro Football Writers ranked the top five defensive linemen, basing selections on current status entering the 2024 season. First-place votes were worth 10 points. Second through fifth-place votes were worth 5, 3, 2 and 1 points.

Garrett received six first-place votes. T.J. Watt and Chris Jones each got one. Garrett and Micah Parsons were the only players selected on every ballot.

Garrett beat out Watt for the AP Defensive Player of the Year award last season.

**1. MYLES GARRETT, CLEVELAND BROWNS**  
Despite constant dou-

ble-teams, Garrett had 14 sacks, 30 quarterback hits, 17 tackles for loss, four forced fumbles and forced offensive coordinators to avoid his side of the field. Under new coordinator Jim Schwartz, Garrett thrived and turned the Browns into one the league’s top units.

**2. MICAH PARSONS, DALLAS COWBOYS**

Parsons, who edged Watt for the No. 2 spot, fell to second-team All-Pro last season after making the first team his first two years. He still was as dominant, racking up a career-best 14 sacks, 33 QB hits and 18 tackles for loss. Parsons is set to receive a massive contract once Dallas handles CeeDee Lamb and Dak Prescott’s deals.

**3. T.J. WATT, PITTSBURGH STEELERS**

The four-time All-Pro and 2021 AP Defensive Player of the Year led the league with 19 sacks, forced four fumbles, had 36 QB hits and 19 tackles

for loss. Watt was named on seven ballots.

**4. CHRIS JONES, KANSAS CITY CHIEFS**

Jones is the only interior lineman to make this list. A two-time All-Pro and five-time Pro Bowl pick, Jones helped Kansas City’s defense carry the team when the offense struggled for parts of last season. He made a game-changing play in overtime of the Super Bowl, forcing the 49ers to settle for a field goal and setting up Kansas City’s comeback win. Jones had 10 1/2 sacks, 29 QB hits and 13 tackles for loss.

**5. NICK BOSA, SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS**

The 2022 AP Defensive Player of the Year came on slowly last season after an early hold-out that led to a \$170 million, five-year contract. He finished with 10 1/2 sacks, down from 18 1/2 in 2022. Bosa had 35 QB hits, forced two fumbles and had 16 tackles for loss.

# Vegas wins 3M Open for first victory in 7 years

BY MIKE COOK  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

BLAINE, Minn. — Jhonattan Vegas won for the first time in nearly seven years, holing a 3-foot birdie putt on the 18th hole for a 1-under 70 and a one-shot victory over Max Greyserman at the 3M Open on Sunday.

Vegas finished at 17-under 267 at the windy TPC Twin Cities. It’s his fourth PGA Tour victory and first for the 39-year-old from Venezuela since he won his second straight Canadian Open in 2017. He finished second in the 2021 event.

“We’re just trying to have a great week and obviously a great week turned into a win. I’m out of my head right now, so it’s incredible,” Vegas said with the trophy a couple of feet away.

After a more than 11-minute wait on the tee box at the 598-yard, par-5 final hole, Vegas hit an ideal drive. Another lengthy delay followed, and he pulled his 7-iron approach to the far left corner of the green, leaving a 96-foot putt.

Vegas, who did not three-putt all week, had perfect pace on his long eagle try to set up his short winner.

“I didn’t really think much about the length of it. It was just another putt, right? At the end of the day you have to try to figure it out. I know we putted really well, those long putts I’ve been hitting them pretty solid,” he said.

**“I didn’t really think much about the length of it. It was just another putt, right? At the end of the day you have to try to figure it out. I know we putted really well, those long putts I’ve been hitting them pretty solid.”**

— Jhonattan Vegas

Playing on a major medical extension after being limited to seven starts last season because of right elbow and shoulder surgeries, Vegas is still experiencing complications.

“I felt (the shoulder) right away on the first hole,” he said. “It was a nightmare, but luckily stayed calm and I was able to play pretty solid and not make huge mistakes.”

The victory helped ease any pain.

“Nothing feels better than this,” he said.

Greyserman, a 29-year-old PGA Tour rookie, made a charge with an 8-under 63, including a 30 on the back nine that was capped by a spectacular birdie on the 18th.

After missing his drive to the left, he hit a hard draw with a 4-iron through a trio of trees from 260 yards. The ball landed on the green, 79 feet from the hole, and he two-putted for birdie and his lowest round of the year.

“Normally I think about, ‘Oh, you have to play a little bit to the fat side of the pin if there’s trouble or not.’ At that point in the tournament you’ve just got to go for it, so I just went for it,” Greyserman said.

Moments later, Vegas birdied the 15th hole for the fourth time this week to match Greyserman at 16 under.

Maverick McNealy (70) and Matt Kuchar (71) finished third, two shots back. Kuchar was looking for his first win since the 2019 Sony Open in Hawaii; McNealy remains winless.

“I hadn’t had this opportunity in a while and to be in the last group Sunday to have the lead for a moment there was an exciting day. Certainly wish I could have done more,” Kuchar said.

Taylor Pendrith (67), the leader after two rounds, finished fifth at 14 under, one shot better than Kurt Kitayama (66), Patrick Fishburn (70) and Sahith Theegala (70).

Vegas and Greyserman moved into the top 70 in the FedEx Cup standings and into position for the PGA Tour playoffs, which begin in three weeks.

Greyserman started the week 88th in the standings. Vegas was 149th, six spots ahead of Kuchar, the only player to qualify for the playoffs every year since they began in 2007. The 46-year-old Kuchar moved up 44 spots to No. 111.

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and TNT Sports Chairman/CEO Luis Silberwasser said throughout the process, though, that it intended to match one of the deals.

WBD had five days to match a part of those deals after the NBA’s Board of Governors approved the rights deals on July 17.

WBD received all of the contracts the next day and informed the league on Monday that it was matching Amazon Prime Videos offer.

The NBA announced on Wednesday that it was not considered a true match.

“Throughout these negotiations, our primary objective has been to maximize the reach and accessibility of our games for our fans,”

the league said when it did not accept the WBD deal. “Our new arrangement with Amazon supports this goal by complementing the broadcast, cable and streaming packages that are already part of our new Disney and NBCUniversal arrangements. All three partners have also committed substantial resources to promote the league and enhance the fan experience.”

# DROUGHT

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from several birdies that are here in the facility that are upstairs as well that he went to bat for me,” Tagovailoa said of McDaniel’s role in the negotiations.

The Tagovailoa-McDaniel link will face added scrutiny, especially with the Dolphins’ lengthy drought of postseason success. Miami’s wild-card round loss at Kansas City last season extended to 24 years its gap between playoff wins.

“We haven’t won the games we wanted to win,

deep into the playoffs and win the games that matter,” Tagovailoa said. “I could have had the worst passing rating and threw for a thousand yards but if we were in those games and winning those games, and we got to go and win the championship, I would trade all of that.”

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